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TO: Dylan Rodriguez, Chair
Academic Senate

FROM: Kate Sweeny, Chair
CHASS Executive Committee

RE: Proposed Changes to Guidelines for Remote Learning Course

The CHASS Executive Committee discussed the Proposed Changes to Guidelines for Remote Learning Course at the regular meeting on October 18, 2017. The committee was supportive of the proposed changes, with one exception. The proposal now states that “students may be less likely to cheat on low-stakes exams than on high-stakes exams” and provides prescriptive guidance to instructors regarding the structure of their examinations. The committee wondered whether evidence supports the claim about the relative likelihood of cheating on low- versus high-stakes exams and was concerned that the prescriptive guidelines restrict the academic freedom of instructors to design the course as they see fit.

Kate Sweeny, Chair

CHASS Executive Committee