[Campus Review] Proposed Regulation Change: Proposed COVID-19 Modifications to UCR Senate Regulations for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 Quarters (R1.1.4, R1.1.5, R1.1.6 and R1.2.2)

Distributed for Review: 09/30/20
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URGENT REVIEW REQUESTED

Dear Nael Abu-Ghazaleh, Chair, Committee on Rules & Jurisdiction: I am transmitting this proposed temporary regulation changes for grade changes and withdrawal period to accommodate for remote instruction and COVID-19 impacts on our students. Due to timing this proposal must be sent to Executive Council to vote in lieu of the Division and Rules & Jurisdiction simultaneously. These are similar to emergency regulations enacted in Spring and Summer 2020. The grading periods this applies to are Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 terms and would revert back to previous regulations (eg those in place as of Winter 2020). I appreciate your review of the text of the changes to ensure these temporary regulation changes are consistent with bylaws and unambiguous to their impact.

Tasked Committees:

   Executive Council
   Rules and Jurisdiction
To Be Adopted

Proposed COVID-19 Modifications to UCR Senate Regulations for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 Quarters
(Regulation R1.1.4 and R1.1.5 – Course Drops)
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Statement of Purpose and Effect:
The modifications continue to be in response to COVID-19 and remote instruction.

Submitted by Jason Stajich, Division Chair  September 28, 2020

Approvals

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction finds the wording to be consistent with the code of the Academic Senate: (leave blank)

Approved by Executive Council in lieu of the Division: (leave blank)
Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction

September 29, 2020

To: Jason Stajich

CC: Cherysa Cortez

From: Nael Abu-Ghazaleh
Chair, Rules and Jurisdiction

Re: Proposed COVID-19 Modifications to UCR Senate Regulations for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 Quarters (R1.1.4, R1.1.5, R1.1.6 and R1.2.2)

Rosana Franco has submitted a response on behalf of Rules and Jurisdiction for the Proposed COVID-19 Modifications to UCR Senate Regulations for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 Quarters (R1.1.4, R1.1.5, R1.1.6 and R1.2.2) review item.
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The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction reviewed the request regarding proposed COVID-19 modifications to UCR Senate Regulations for the Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 Quarters. The Committee finds the proposed language in R1.1.5 confusing. In particular, the Committee questions why the proposed language says that after 2 weeks, a “W” goes on permanent transcript if the following sentence says “if prior to week 8,” W won’t show up on permanent transcript. Alternatively, the first sentence of R.1.15 could be deleted.
Dear Committee on Rules & Jurisdiction:

I write on behalf of Senate Division Chair Jason Stajich.

Thank you for your prompt reply regarding the subject regulations.

Based on your consultation regarding clarifying the language in R.1.1.5 the first sentence of this proposed modification has been deleted (see attached).

If all is in order, please indicate the committee’s approval date where indicated and the information can be communicated to campus Administration just in time for the start of the Fall 2020 quarter tomorrow.

In appreciation,

Cherysa P Cortez

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Clarification to R.1.1.5 per Rules & Jurisdiction review memo.

Submitted by Jason Stajich, Division Chair  September 30, 2020

Approvals

The Committee on Rules and Jurisdiction finds the wording to be consistent with the code of the Academic Senate:  (leave blank)

Approved by Executive Council in lieu of the Division:  (leave blank)
Hi Cherysa,

Please see the attached approved version with today’s date.

Best,
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