Subject: Grade Replacement Policy—(see also S.A. 1038)

Reference to Senate Minutes dated: February 3, 2014

Senate Action:
MOTION: The Academic Policies Committee moves that the Grade Replacement Policy in the current catalog be amended by inserting the sentence highlighted in yellow (see attachment).
VOTE: The motion passed with a hand vote of 17-1, no abstentions.

Response requested:

X approval for placement in University Catalog

approval for placement in University Regulations

recommendation to Board for placement in Board Policy Manual

none (sent as information item)

other action requested/comments:

Dr. Mary J. Schulten
Faculty Senate Chair
February 10, 2014

Administrative review of Senate action (unnecessary for information items):

reviewed by VPAA/Provost. Check _______ if comments attached

reviewed by General Counsel. Check _______ if comments attached

Presidential action:

approve; reject; return to Senate for discussion/modification (comments attached)

President/Designated Administrative Officer
Date

Date of Board approval (if applicable): _____________________________

PLEASE RETURN SIGNED ORIGINAL AND ATTACHMENT TO THE FACULTY SENATE OFFICE, BOX 75.
Attachment to Senate Action Form #1066
Approved by the Faculty Senate
February 3, 2014

Additional Information: At the February 3, 2014 meeting the Faculty Senate passed a motion to change the “UW” (Unauthorized Withdrawal) grade designation to “NA” (Never Attended) with a hand vote of 11-9, 1 abstention. (see also Senate Action 1065).

Grade Replacement Policy-Amendment to the Current Catalog Language
Faculty Senate February 3, 2014

Rationale: The current policy language does not specify whether or not a “W” or “NA” mark for the second attempt of a course counts as the grade replacement opportunity.

Grade Replacement Policy. Effective Fall 2013, the specifications of the Course Replacement Policy are as follows:

Courses repeated under this policy may not be eligible for financial aid; for more information, contact Financial Aid at (970) 351-2502.

The Grade Replacement Policy affects all standard letter-graded (A-F) courses not designated repeatable for credit taken by fully admitted undergraduate students. Pass/Fail grades are excluded.

Grade replacement can only be applied once per course for a maximum for six (6) courses; these limits only apply to courses repeated Fall 2013 or later.

Grade replacement can be used regardless of previous grade earned.

To use grade replacement, the student must submit a Grade Replacement Application to the Office of the Registrar no later than the drop deadline of courses being repeated.

Only the most recent letter grade (A-F) attained for any given course will count toward the cumulative GPA, even if the most recent grade is lower than previous grades attained.

If a student applies for grade replacement and receives a mark of “W” or “NA” in the second attempt of a course, that attempt does not count as the grade replacement opportunity and the original grade will stand.

All occurrences of a course are recorded on the transcript.

Courses are counted one time only in the total credits towards graduation.

All credit hours earned for initial and repeated courses will be deducted from the student’s remaining College Opportunity Fund (COF) stipend eligibility hours.

Grades earned under a completed degree are excluded from this policy.

For more information, contact the Registrar’s Office at (970) 351-2231.

Independent Study (Correspondence) Courses retaken for grade replacement must meet registration, drop and course completion deadlines for the semester the course is repeated.

If you plan to transfer to another academic institution or plan to apply for graduate school in the future, you should be aware of the fact that other institutions may include all grades in the calculation of your GPA for admission to their institution.

If you are receiving financial aid, please be aware the Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy is separate from the Grade Replacement Policy. Changes in your cumulative GPA and/or deficient hours due to grade replacement will not be taken into account in your financial suspension appeal until you have completed the course. If you have questions, please contact Financial Aid at (970) 351-2502.

Your academic standing with UNC remains probationary until grades are processed at the end of the semester. If you have questions in regard to your academic standing, please contact the Office of Academic Support and Advising at (970) 351-1391.