

ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE

Monday, October 11, 2021
2:30p.m. | UC Council Room

MINUTES

Present: Benedict, Couch (Heiny), Pullen, Schaberl (Lightfoot), Vaughan, Wood, Yu, Zaghlawan

Absent: Benavidez, Brewer, Franklin, Kraver, Matchett, Wieben

Guest: Levin

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:32pm.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the September 27, 2021 meeting minutes

Approved without objection.

Announcements

- Welcome to two new EBS Senators: Han Yu and Hasan Zaghlawan.

Chair's report (Vaughan) – No Report.

Reports from Councils:

Graduate Council (Brewer) – No Report.

Liberal Arts Council (Wood) – We approved LAC bylaws and reviewed a policy exemption request when we met last week.

Professional Education Council (Kraver) – No Report.

Undergraduate Council (Dineen) – UGC has formed an S/U grading option sub-committee.

Student Senate (Benavidez) – No Report.

Unfinished Business

- **Permanent S/U Grading Policy** – *no updates*

- **Grade Point Average**

- The committee reviewed revised language incorporating feedback from the last meeting.
 - UG and GR each have their own section as some policy references are applicable only to the UG level.
- The committee revised the following sections applicable to both the UG and GR levels:
 - The credit hours and quality points are totaled for all UNC courses within the same degree level, Undergraduate (UG) or Graduate (GR).
 - Students determine placement of 500-level courses toward UG or GR credit hour and quality point totals ([See Course Designation Policy](#)).

MOTION: Lightfoot – It is moved to approve the catalog language as amended and send it to Codification.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

New Business

- **Posthumous Degrees**

- Heiny presented language to clarify the existing posthumous degree policy:

- (4) Upon approval from the family, the Dean of Students shall communicate approval to the Registrar, who will withdraw the student from all registered course work (if applicable), order the appropriate diploma, and arrange for the decedent’s listing in the commencement program. If by this point it is no longer possible for the Registrar to execute these tasks in time for the forthcoming commencement, the posthumous degree shall be awarded at the next commencement.

- Background: The current posthumous degree policy indicates the Registrar will withdraw the student from all registered course work. A student passed away this semester and had already completed a one credit course. As the course is completed and has a posted grade, they don’t want to withdraw the student.

- The committee offered the following clarifying edit:

- (4) Upon approval from the family, the Dean of Students shall communicate approval to the Registrar, who will withdraw the student from all registered **uncompleted** course work (if applicable), order the appropriate diploma, and arrange for the decedent’s listing in the commencement program. If by this point it is no longer possible for the Registrar to execute these tasks in time for the forthcoming commencement, the posthumous degree shall be awarded at the next commencement.

MOTION: Wood – It is moved to approve the catalog language as amended and send it to Codification.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

Comments to the Good of the Order

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10pm.

Angela Vaughan
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary