

At the May 5, 2009, meeting of the Faculty Senate, 4 policy proposals that impact undergraduates were approved. Two of those are effective immediately and have been announced with 3D memos by the initiating units:

(1) Revision to the First-Year Honors English Composition Requirement-see the Catalog, <http://catalog.arizona.edu/2009-10/policies/firstyear.htm>. This change also necessitated updates to the credit awarded to students who earn scores of 4 or 5 on the AP English Language and/or Literature exams (<http://catalog.arizona.edu/2009-10/policies/apexam.htm>) and to those who earn scores of 5, 6, or 7 on the IB higher-level English exam (<http://catalog.arizona.edu/2009-10/policies/ibexam.htm>).

(2) Revision to the Medical Withdrawal Policy & Procedures-see the Dean of Students site for the approved proposal, <http://dos.web.arizona.edu/>.

In the April 2009 edition of Connected (http://advising.arizona.edu/ad_resources_communique.php), I summarized proposals in progress that Undergraduate Council anticipated would increase class accessibility for students. I'm pleased to report that 2 of those 3 proposals were approved by the faculty, and plans for implementation are currently underway:

(3) Extension of WebReg for Adding Classes--Students may add classes to their schedule using WebReg for the first week of the Fall and Spring semesters, plus one class day: Fall-Monday through Monday, 7 AM - 8 PM; and Spring-Wednesday through Thursday, 7 AM - 8 PM (the additional day is in recognition of the MLK Jr Holiday closure). This means that the last day to use WebReg for adds is August 31st for Fall 2009, which corresponds to the date when students will be charged \$25 for dropping a course. Please encourage students who intend to drop certain courses to do so during the week of "free drops," August 24th - 29th or earlier so that other students can add those classes on Monday the 31st, if not before. This information has been added to the Fall 2009 Dates and Deadlines, <http://www.em.arizona.edu/datesdeadlines/datesdeadlines.aspx?t=094>, and to the Registration page of the Registrar's Web site, <http://www.registrar.arizona.edu/webreg.htm>.

(4) Revised Course Repeat Policy (to be added to the Catalog)-An undergraduate or graduate student may attempt the same course at the University no more than twice, whether the student completes the course with a passing or failing grade (i.e., A,B,C,D,E,S,P,F,O,I) or whether the student withdraws or is administratively dropped from the course (i.e.,

W,WO,XO). A student who drops a course any time after the first withdrawal deadline (e.g., beginning of the fifth week of the semester) has had one attempt with that course. Repeating a course with the GRO also counts as an attempt. Excluded from the count of attempts is a complete withdrawal from the University (i.e., WP, WF), a course cancelation by the department offering the course, and courses that are designated as repeatable for credit. This policy change will apply to all students, beginning with registration for Spring 2010 in October 2009.