

Academic Freedom and Standards Committee

Diana L. Ahmad, Chair

November 12, 2015

Regarding:

Consideration for students who must miss class due to extraordinary reasons, such as religious observance, military duty, jury duty, and other similar events.

Students would be required to provide “proof of the needed absence from the appropriate authority.”

Two Items:

1. A **friendly motion** was made and **PASSED** at the October 15, 2015, Faculty Senate **ADDING** “may” to pages 1 and 12 ABSENCES in “Student Academic Regulations.”
 - a. The clause now reads: “Instructors **MAY** make the ultimate decision; however, students have the power to appeal to the department chair or dean.”

2. After the meeting of October 15, 2015, it came to light that a deletion made by AF&S regarding **DROPPING INCOMPLETES PRIOR TO Fall Semester 1991 SHOULD BE RE-ADDED** to the “Student Academic Regulations” as the Registrar said that it is still used, albeit rarely.
 - a. The AF&S committee agrees to **RE-ADD** the said section to the “Student Academic Regulations.”

REQUEST of FACULTY SENATE:

1. **Vote on RE-ADDING** the section about “Dropping Incompletes Prior to Fall Semester 1991” to the Student Academic Regulations.