

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

From: Linda Wright-Bower, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

Subject: Amendment of the Academic Regulations (SD 85-18)

Date: March 22, 2017

Disposition: To the Presiding Officer for Implementation

WHEREAS, the University formerly known as Indiana University - Purdue University will become two separate entities, and

WHEREAS, the majority of the IPFW units will be managed by Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, degree programs previously supported as part of Indiana University will be realigned under the auspices of Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Academic Regulations for the newly created Purdue University Fort Wayne, or the forthcoming name determined by the Purdue Board of Trustees, will need to be in concert with those of Purdue University West Lafayette, and

WHEREAS, a slight change in the academic calendar formula for the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus will provide uniform academic calendars for students attending Purdue University Fort Wayne and IUPUI health sciences programs in Fort Wayne, and

WHEREAS, the IUPUI Registrar has agreed to coordinate the IUPUI Spring Break recess with the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus such that students attending IUPUI Fort Wayne classes will have the same recess, and

WHEREAS, changes to the IPFW regulations were made in previous academic years but not properly recorded and implemented, and

WHEREAS, the debate on campus with advisors and faculty whether or not to assign midterm grades to freshman has been previously proposed but tabled (Senate Document SD 98-18, Tabled on 3/15/1999); and

WHEREAS, early intervention has been shown to be an effective means of improving retention; and

WHEREAS, the assignment of midterms grades for first-years students is one means of identifying students who may benefit from an academic assistance program and/or other support; and

WHEREAS, the assignment of mid-term grades for general education courses and 10000-20000 level courses may provide another means for identification of students who may need academic assistance program and/or other support; and

WHEREAS, all students at-risk for failing (D or F) in 10000-20000 may benefit from official mid-term grade assignments;

RESOLVED, Senate Document SD 85-18 (Academic Regulations) be amended as enclosed, with italicized language inserted and strike-out language removed.

Summary of the Proposed Changes to the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus Academic Regulations effective July 1, 2018

Purdue University Fort Wayne – Academic Regulations, Effective July 1, 2018

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Note: All references in the regulations to “IPFW” will be updated to the new institution name when finalized.

The link for the PWL academic regulations is:

http://www.purdue.edu/studentregulations/regulations_procedures/

Academic Calendar Formula (SD 11-18)

The academic calendar shall consist of two 16-week regular semesters (including a one-week final examination period), and one 15-week summer semester.

During the Fall and Spring semesters, the standard length of a three-credit-hour course shall be 150 minutes per week for fifteen weeks. The final examination period for courses shall be two hours.

FALL SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of the fall semester shall be the Monday falling between August ~~19 20~~ and August ~~25 26~~, inclusive.
2. Labor Day shall be a holiday. Classes shall be suspended starting at 4:30 PM on the Friday preceding Labor Day and resume on the Tuesday following Labor Day.
3. There shall be a two-day suspension of regular classes consisting of the *Monday and Tuesday* after the mid-point between the beginning of the semester and Thanksgiving break.
4. Thanksgiving recess shall consist of Thanksgiving Day, *the preceding Wednesday*, and the following Friday and weekend.

SPRING SEMESTER

1. The first day of the spring semester may be the Monday following the end of the regular Fall Semester. Typically, weekday classes of the regular spring semester will begin the Monday falling between January ~~7 8~~ and January ~~13 14~~, inclusive.
2. The period of time between the regular fall and spring semesters will be called "Winter Intersession" for the purposes of communication to the public. All official university holidays during the intersession will be recognized and offices will be closed.
3. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in January, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.
4. There shall be a one-week spring recess after the 8th week of regular weekday classes of the spring semester.
5. Weekend College shall be suspended Easter weekend.

SUMMER SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of summer semester may be the Monday following the end of the spring semester. Typically, weekday classes will meet in two 6-week summer sessions which will begin following a one-week break at the end of spring semester.
2. Memorial Day (Observed) and Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.
3. July 4 shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet on July 4 when it falls on a weekday. Classes will not meet on Friday, July 3, when July 4 falls on a Saturday. Classes will not meet on Monday, July 5, when July 4 falls on a Sunday. The Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday including, or closest to, July 4 shall also be holidays when classes do not meet.

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Definitions

1.1 **Definitions:** As used herein, the terms below have the specified meanings.

1.2 **Academic record:** the IPFW cumulative record maintained by the Registrar in accordance with these academic regulations. The IPFW academic record is the sole basis upon which all questions relating to such matters as grades, graduation requirements, academic standing, and scholastic recognition are resolved. Official transcripts will continue to be produced using Indiana University and Purdue University procedures, and it is the responsibility of the IPFW Registrar to maintain consistency between the IPFW cumulative record and official transcripts.

1.3 **Credit:** the semester hour. Any reference to credits, credit hours, etc., shall be understood as referring to semester hours.

1.3.1 **Resident credit:** credit earned at IPFW or at another campus of Indiana University or Purdue University, depending on which university the student is enrolled in at IPFW.

1.3.1.1 **Course credit:** resident credit awarded by IPFW on the basis of a student's enrollment in and satisfactory completion of courses.

1.3.1.2 **Special credit:** resident credit awarded by IPFW on bases other than a student's enrollment in and satisfactory completion of courses. Special credit may be established by any of the following methods:

1.3.1.2.1 **Credit by examination:** credit awarded to a student on the basis of achievement on a departmental/divisional proficiency examination. (See Section 7.1)

1.3.1.2.2 **Departmental/divisional credit:** credit for a course offered by a department/division and awarded on the basis of substantially equivalent experience; may be granted only by the chair/director or designee of the department/division offering the course.

1.3.1.2.3 **Achievement credit:** credit awarded on the basis of demonstrated achievement in a nationally administered college-level examination. (See Section 7.2)

1.2.2 **Transfer credit:** nonresident credit. Transfer credits for a student entering IPFW from outside the student's university system shall be evaluated by the admissions office and accepted as transfer credit if completed at a regionally accredited institution with a grade of C or better. Designations of plus and minus that accompany these grades shall be disregarded in the evaluation of this credit.

Credit accepted as transfer credit shall be equated to IPFW course numbers (or included as an undistributed entry) and posted to the student's academic record at the time of matriculation or re-entry to IPFW. The academic-record entry shall include the name of the transfer institution, the years of attendance, and the individual courses accepted for transfer. The course-equation process is subject to adjustment upon request by the student's department chair/dean/division director, and the department/school/division determines the applicability to a student's plan of study of credit earned at other institutions and accepted by IPFW.

1.3 Student **classification**: a system for classifying students regularly admitted to IPFW:

Undergraduate Student Classification	Earned Credit Hours
Freshman	Fewer than 30
Sophomore	30-59
Junior	60-89
Senior	90 or more

The Registrar may establish additional classifications to serve IPFW's record-keeping needs. The Registrar will report classification codes to Indiana University and Purdue University in a manner consistent with their respective codes.

1.4 **Advanced placement**: the practice of admitting an entering student to courses beyond the first course or courses in a normal sequence without allowing credit for courses not taken.

1.5 **Substitution**: the practice of replacing a course required in a curriculum with another course identified by the unit specifying that requirement.

1.6 **Excusing**: the practice of replacing a course required in a specific curriculum by an equal number of credit hours in courses not specified, as approved by the unit specifying the course requirement.

1.7 **Work not scheduled for a regular fall or spring semester**: regular work offered in a summer session or off-calendar, equivalent in content, contact hours, and credit value to the work of a regular semester. As these regulations apply to academic work not scheduled for a regular fall or spring semester, all deadlines and time periods are to be prorated.

1.8 **Beginning student**: a student enrolling in college courses for the first time, or a student who has completed a small number of credits as a nondegree student, most often while still also a high-school student.

1.9 **Intensive course**: a course that meets for extended class times and fewer weeks than a similar course would meet in a regular summer session.

1.10 **P/NP option**: an enrollment option that generally limits course grades to P and NP. The option may be used to allow the student to take the class with minimal concern for the grade that will be earned. Indiana University students who receive a grade of D or F will have this grade recorded on official transcripts. Purdue University Students who receive a grade of NP will have a grade of N recorded on official transcripts.

1.11 **Grade-point averages**: all reports and calculations of grade-point averages described in these regulations will be based on what is known as the "4-point" system, with grades of A equated to 4 points and other grades scaled accordingly. [Note: Prior to Summer 1993, Purdue University transcripts and related records were based on a "6-point" system, with grades of A equated to 6 points and other grades scaled accordingly (F equated to 2 points). Subsequent Purdue University records use the 4-point system described in these regulations.]

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Admissions

2.1: Admission. University requirements for admission are established by the trustees. Program-specific admission requirements in addition to those established by the trustees may be imposed by schools, divisions, and departments. Any such requirements shall become effective when published in the IPFW Bulletin or its supplement.

2.2: Regular admission of a nondegree student. Any student admitted in nondegree status may apply for regular admission. Nondegree admission is limited to a maximum of 24 credits; thereafter, a student may register only after applying for and being granted regular admission; exceptions are granted by the Registrar upon the recommendation of the student's advising unit. Any student who is denied regular admission shall be notified of the reasons for this decision; any student who is granted regular admission shall be notified of which courses taken in the nondegree status may be applied to satisfy degree requirements.

2.3: Admission of a student transferring between institutions or IPFW programs.

2.3.1: A transfer student or a re-entering student who has not enrolled at IPFW during the previous twelve months shall:

2.3.1.1: Designate the intended curriculum on the re-entry or transfer-admission form.

2.3.1.2: Submit the completed form to the admissions office for evaluation.

2.3.2: Any other student who wishes to transfer from one program to another at IPFW shall:

2.3.2.1: Prepare the prescribed transfer-request form.

2.3.2.2: Secure the approval of the school/division to which the transfer is proposed.

2.3.2.3: Submit the completed request form to the Registrar's office. The Registrar shall notify the admissions office whenever such a transfer will also change the student's university affiliation, and the admissions office shall then transfer all previous IPFW credits to the records system of the student's new university.

2.3: Credit transfer for a student transferring between IPFW programs. When a student transfers from one degree or certificate program to another, the school/division to which the student is transferring shall promptly report to the Registrar the status of every course previously taken. Each completed course, regardless of the grade received, shall be classified into one of the following two categories:

2.3.1: Courses which are required for, or applicable to, the student's new curriculum or which are substantially equivalent to, and are acceptable as, substitutes for such required courses.

2.3.2: Courses not applicable to the program to which the student is transferring. The grade in any course which can satisfy a degree requirement, other than a free elective, may not be removed from the cumulative GPA.

2.4: Application of credit for students who re-enter IPFW Purdue University Fort Wayne. At the time a student is accepted for campus transfer, re-entry, or readmission after not having attended IPFW or any other campus of Indiana University or Purdue University for five or more calendar years, the IPFW academic unit by which

the student is accepted may report to the Registrar each GPA- applicable course on the student's academic record in which the grade earned cannot be counted toward graduation or degree credits because it is considered to be of less than passing quality. As recommended by the student's academic unit, the Registrar will exclude grades earned in these courses from the calculation of the student's cumulative GPA. However, both these courses and the grades earned therein will remain on the student's academic record. This option can be employed only once per student, and an appropriate notation of this transaction shall be made on the student's academic record.

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Registration and Course Assignment

3.0: Registration and course assignment

3.1: Procedures. Registration for courses shall be accomplished in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Registrar.

3.2: Placement procedures. Students should complete the following procedures as soon as possible after admission to IPFW. Students completing these procedures shall be notified of the test results and their implications in a timely fashion.

3.2.1: English. A regularly admitted beginning student is allowed to register for classes only after completing the appropriate placement procedure. Any other student is allowed to register for classes beyond the session in which the first 12 credits are completed at IPFW only if the student has (1) completed the appropriate procedures or (2) established credit in an entry-level English course.

3.2.2: Mathematics. A regularly admitted beginning student is allowed to register for classes only after completing the appropriate placement procedure. Any other student is allowed to register for classes beyond the session in which the first 12 credits are completed at IPFW only if the student has (1) completed the appropriate procedures or (2) established credit in an entry-level mathematics course.

Students who place into developmental mathematics must complete the appropriate developmental course(s) in their first twenty-four credits of IPFW course work, with the exception of developmental mathematics for those students enrolled in a certificate or associate degree program that does not require mathematics.

3.2.3: Reading. A regularly admitted beginning student is allowed to register for classes only after submitting one of the following:

- SAT test score above 450 on the verbal test
- ACT test score above 19 on the individual reading test;
- Scoring above the lowest 15 percentile (determined by national norms) on the IPFW placement test.

Students who do not meet at least one of these requirements will be required to complete a reading course as specified by the Department of English and Linguistics and approved by the College of Arts and Sciences during one of the student's first two enrollment periods.

3.2.4: Foreign language. A student who has studied a foreign language before entering IPFW should take a foreign- language placement examination before continuing study in that language.

3.2.5: English-as-a-Second-Language¹. Prior to admission, the Admissions Office shall determine which prospective undergraduate students have a native language other than English. All such students who do not have transfer credit for an English composition course that carries credit toward graduation shall be identified as ESL students and shall be required to submit scores on the TOEFL or an equivalent test approved by the Department of English and Linguistics.

ESL students shall be admitted with the condition that they achieve appropriate competency levels in English composition.

Based upon TOEFL or equivalent test scores, the Department of English and Linguistics shall determine which ESL students need ESL instruction. Students who are found to be exempt from ESL course requirements shall be subject to the regular English placement-testing and course-completion requirements described in these regulations. Other ESL students shall:

3.2.5.1: Be admitted only to the Mastodon Advising Center unless they score the equivalent of 550 or above on the TOEFL and meet the admission requirements of a degree-granting academic unit. Students admitted in this fashion to the Mastodon Advising Center shall not be eligible for admission to another academic unit until they have completed ESL-related requirements.

3.2.5.2: Enroll in the appropriate ESL course each semester until the requirement is satisfied.

3.2.5.3: Complete the prescribed series of ESL courses within their first 36 credits at IPFW.

The Mastodon Advising Center shall have authority to alter any student's registration if the provisions of Sections 3.2.5.2 and 3.2.5.3 are not being met.

This section applies to undergraduate students only. As noted in the Graduate Programs Bulletin, graduate applicants must follow university-specific requirements to demonstrate competency in English.

3.3: Academic load. The following maximums apply to student enrollment:

3.3.1: Absolute limit in any academic session or intensive course: A student may never enroll for more than 1.5 credits per week.

3.3.2: Limit with special permission: A student's academic load shall exceed 18 semester hours (8 semester hours in a summer session) only under unusual circumstances and with special permission of the academic advisor.

3.4: Assignment to intensive courses. No student will be permitted to register in two intensive courses at the same time.

3.5: Course prerequisites and co-requisites. When registering, a student must satisfy all course prerequisites and co-requisites or secure the permission of the instructor. On an instructor's request, the Registrar may remove any student who has not satisfied prerequisites or co-requisites.

3.6: Auditing. A student ineligible for readmission by reason of having been dropped from IPFW for scholastic or other reasons is ineligible to attend classes as an auditor; any other student may enroll as an auditor by completing regular registration and enrollment procedures, noting "Auditor" on the registration card. Determination of allowable load is in accordance with the credits assigned to the courses involved.

An auditor does not receive academic credit, but is assigned a grade of W or NC in the course. An auditor may later be allowed to take an examination for credit, under the usual rules, in courses audited. (see Section 7.1)

3.7: Initial registration. A student's initial registration shall occur according to the timetables for registration established for each academic term as published in the Schedule of Classes. An academic advisor's approval is required for all students who register at the Registrar's Office and for the following students: freshmen, first-term re-entry, transfer, or those in a new major, and those on academic probation. School/division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required for other students. A completed registration form with appropriate signatures must be submitted to the Registrar's Office or the student's department.

3.8: Schedule Revisions. A student may make schedule revisions in accordance with the following policies. The student must submit the completed schedule revision form with appropriate signatures to the Registrar's Office or the student's department. All schedules and deadlines are prorated for courses not meeting for an entire fall or spring semester.

3.8.1: Course additions. A student may add a course after the initial registration on the schedule revision form. An academic advisor's approval is required for all students who add courses at the Registrar's Office and for the following students: freshmen, first-term re-entry, transfer, or those in a new major, and those on academic probation. Additional restrictions are described below:

Weeks	Restrictions
Up through the 1st week of classes	College/School/Division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required.
2 through 4	College/School/Division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required. The instructor must approve.
5 through 9	College/School/Division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required. The instructor and the student's dean or division director must approve. Approval will normally be given only when extenuating circumstances are involved.
10 and following	Courses may not normally be added during this time.

3.8.2: Course drops (cancellations of registration). A student may drop a course, subject to the time limits below and the restrictions described in this section and in section 3.9 by presenting a request at the Registrar's Office, the student's department, or through self-service in the online registration system.

Weeks	Restrictions
First week of classes (or equivalent, based on course length. See chart below.)	College/School/Division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required. Course is not recorded on the student record.
2 through 9	College/School/Division policy determines whether an academic advisor's approval is required. Course is recorded with grade of W on the student record.

10 through 16	Courses cannot normally be dropped during this period. If a drop is approved, the course is recorded with a grade of W on the student record.
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The following table displays the point in time a withdraw grade will be recorded on the permanent record, based on course length.

Number of Weeks the course meets	Course Drop without Withdraw Grade	Withdraw Grade Recorded
9 or more	Days 1-7	Day 8 and thereafter
3 to 8	Days 1-3	Day 4 and thereafter
2	Days 1-2	Day 3 and thereafter
1 or Less	Day 1	Day 2 and thereafter

Day 1 of a course is the first day of the term or part of term. All calendar days are counted, including weekends.

The opportunity to drop a class is restricted as specified below:

3.8.2.1: Alleged academic dishonesty. Students will not be permitted to drop a class in which there is an allegation of academic dishonesty.

3.8.2.2: Late-term drops related to academic performance. After the ninth week (or equivalent), students will not be permitted to drop a class due to poor academic performance in the class.

3.8.2.3: Late-term drops unrelated to academic performance. After the ninth week (or equivalent), and with the approval of the student's academic advisor and the student's dean/division director, a student may drop a course when the reason for requesting the drop is unrelated to the student's academic performance in the course.

3.8.2.4: Post-term drops. After the end of the sixteenth week, a course may be dropped only by following the procedure for a change of grade (see Section 6.6).

3.8.3: Change of P/NP option. A student may change the P/NP option for a course prior to the end of the fourth week of an academic session by obtaining the signature of the academic advisor next to the appropriate notation on the schedule-revision form.

3.8.4: Change of auditing option. A student may alternate between audit and credit status during an academic session. A change from audit to credit or credit to audit may occur only during the first six weeks. The regular audit deadline is the Friday ending the first week of class. The late audit deadline is the Friday ending the sixth week of class. Approval of a regular change of auditing status in the first week of class requires a signature or written acknowledgment from the student's advisor and a representative from the Financial Aid Office (when applicable). Approval of a late change in auditing status during weeks two through six requires a signature or written acknowledgement from the course instructor, academic advisor and a representative from the Financial Aid Office (when applicable).

3.9: Withdrawal from the university. Withdrawal from the university is normally accomplished by withdrawing from each course in which the student was enrolled. Special circumstances which can affect the withdrawal are specified below.

3.9.1: Withdrawal for military service. Any student called to active military duty may present a copy of their military service orders and (a) withdraw from all courses and receive a 100% refund of tuition and fees at any time during the semester through the end of final examinations or (b) with the permission of each instructor, receive an Incomplete or final grade in the courses taken. Such requests and documentation may be presented by the student or other responsible party who has the student's permission to make the request. Refunds of fees will not be made if the student receives a grade and credit for the course, and all refunds will be adjusted as required by financial aid regulations. If a withdrawal is processed after the fourth week of classes, the grade of W will be assigned.

3.9.2: Withdrawal for personal circumstances. Students who seek to withdraw from IPFW after the ninth week of classes, based on personal circumstances, should contact the Dean of Students for guidance about the process.

3.10: Attendance. Every student is expected to attend every meeting of the classes for which the student is enrolled. Work missed during absences may be made up with the instructor's permission. At the beginning of the academic session, each instructor shall make a clear statement to all students regarding the instructor's policy for handling absences. Any student who discontinues class attendance and does not meet course requirements shall receive a grade of F for unauthorized withdrawal.

3.10.1: Students who must report their class attendance in order to satisfy requirements of financial-aid sponsors are obligated to present the sponsor's certification form to each instructor.

3.10.2: Each instructor will certify that student's attendance by completing the form.

3.10.3: Unless a prior agreement has been made by the instructor with the student, no instructor will be obligated to certify student attendance for more than the most recent class.

A student may not attend any class before completing official registration procedures, after withdrawing from the class or after the registration has been canceled. An instructor who discovers an unregistered student in a class should discuss the problem with the student and notify the Registrar's Office if the problem is not promptly resolved.

Academic Honesty

4.0: Academic Honesty

4.1: Definitions -Students are expected and required to abide by the laws of the United States, the State of Indiana, and the rules and regulations of IPFW. Students are expected to exercise their freedom to learn with responsibility and to respect the general conditions that maintain such freedom. IPFW has developed the following general regulations concerning student conduct which safeguard the right of every individual student to exercise fully the freedom to learn without interference. IPFW may discipline a student for committing acts of academic or personal misconduct.

4.1.2: Academic Misconduct: This type of misconduct is generally defined as any act that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the University or subvert the educational process. At IPFW, specific forms of academic misconduct are defined as follows:

1. Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise. The term "academic exercise" includes all forms of work submitted for cred or hours.
2. Falsifying or fabricating any information or citation in an academic exercise.
3. Helping or attempting to help another in committing acts of academic dishonesty.
4. Submitting the work of someone else as if it were one's own by adopting or reproducing the ideas and opinions of others without acknowledgment. Such instances of plagiarism may be intentional or unintentional, and may involve isolated words, formulas, sentences, paragraphs, entire works, or other intellectual property; either copied from other published sources, or from unpublished work such as those of other students.
5. Submitting work from one course to satisfy the requirements of another course unless submission of such work is permitted by the faculty member.
6. Serving as or permitting another student to serve as a substitute (or 'ringer') in taking an exam.
7. Altering of answers or grades on a graded assignment without authorization of the faculty member.
8. Engaging in activities that unfairly place other students at a disadvantage, such as taking, hiding, or altering resource material.
9. Violating professional or ethical standards of the profession or discipline for which a student is preparing (declared major and/or minor) as adopted by the relevant academic program.

4.2: Policy

4.2.1: Student's responsibilities. Academic honesty is expected of all students. The student is responsible for knowing how to maintain academic honesty and for abstaining from cheating, the appearance of cheating, and permitting or assisting in another's cheating.

4.2.2: Instructor's responsibilities. The instructor is responsible for fostering the intellectual honesty as well as the intellectual development of students, and should apply methods of teaching, examination, and assignments which discourage student dishonesty. If necessary, the instructor should explain clearly any specialized meanings of cheating and plagiarism as they apply to a specific course.

- The instructor must thoroughly investigate signs of academic dishonesty, take appropriate actions, and report such actions properly to prevent repeated offenses and to ensure equity.

4.3: Procedures -In order to ensure that the highest standards of professional and ethical conduct are promoted and supported at IPFW, academic departments should establish a written policy/statement, addressing the professional or ethical standards of their discipline, which is distributed to all students who are preparing in the discipline. Students have the responsibility to familiarize themselves with the academic department's policy/statement. (For additional information, see the Student Disciplinary Procedures section of the Code of Students Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct in the Bulletin).

4.3.1: Initial decision. An instructor who has evidence of cheating shall initiate the process of determining the student's guilt or innocence and the penalty, if any, to be imposed. An instructor shall make initial findings only after informing the student, during an informal conference held within ten business days of discovering the alleged cheating, of charges and evidence, and allowing the student to present a defense. The instructor may assign a grade of Incomplete to any student whose case cannot be resolved before the course grades are due in the Registrar's Office.

4.3.2: Reporting. During the period in which the student is permitted to drop courses, the instructor shall inform the Registrar promptly of any allegation of cheating, so that an accused student will not be permitted to withdraw from the course. The instructor who makes an initial finding that academic dishonesty has been practiced shall impose an academic sanction. Then, within seven business days, the instructor shall supply a written report to the student, the chair of the student's department, the dean or director of the student's school or division, and the dean of students. This report shall summarize the evidence and the penalties assessed.

4.3.3: Appeal. If a student's course grade is affected by the penalty, the student has the right to appeal the penalty imposed by an instructor through the IPFW grade appeals system. ([See Appendix B](#)).

Final Examinations and Instructors' Grade Reports

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5.1: Penultimate week. No instructor may schedule an examination--comprehensive or non-comprehensive, except for laboratory practicums--during the week preceding the last week of a fall or spring semester.

5.2: Final week. With the exception of those courses classified as individual instruction, clinic, studio, practice teaching, research, or distance courses and those offered for zero credits, each class is expected to meet for a two-hour session during the last week of each fall or spring semester. The two-hour session may be used for:

- a final examination
- a last, non-comprehensive examination
- submission of out-of-class examination or assignments, or
- a regular class meeting

5.3: Conflicts. A student who is scheduled to take on one day more than two final examinations, or who has a final-examination conflict, or who is scheduled to take a state, national, or professional licensing examination may contact the instructors involved, prior to the last week of regularly scheduled classes, to obtain appropriate rescheduling. If the student and the instructors cannot agree upon a rescheduling, the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or a designee shall investigate and issue a binding schedule. Instructors shall not penalize a student who chooses to reschedule an examination under these options.

5.4: Absences. Any student who must miss a final examination because of an emergency must contact the instructor as soon as possible. A student who misses a final examination may receive a grade of F for the course.

5.5: Grade reports. Course grades are to be submitted to the Registrar's Office as completed, but not later than 12:00 p.m. on the Monday following the last scheduled examination.

Grades

6.0: Grades

6.1: Basis of grades. The instructor is responsible for explaining to students, preferably in writing at the beginning of an academic session, the course requirements and grading system to be used. Each student shall be assigned a grade in each course in which the student is enrolled at the close of the session.

The student is responsible for the completion of all required work in each course, by the time of the last scheduled meeting of the course or other deadline set by the instructor, unless the student has officially withdrawn from the course, or unless the student and the instructor have agreed that a grade of Incomplete will be assigned.

6.2: Semester grades. The following grades may be assigned

Grade	Meaning
A, A+, A-	Outstanding achievement
B, B+, B-	Above-average achievement
C, C+, C-	Average achievement
D, D+, D-	Below-average achievement, lowest passing grade
Except in the computation of GPA, these grades are referred to simply as A, B, C, or D grades	
F	Failure, or unauthorized discontinuance of class attendance; no credit
I	Incomplete; a temporary record of passing work which (1) was interrupted by circumstances beyond the student's control or (2) represents satisfactory work-in-progress in an independent-study or self-paced course
IF	Unremoved Incomplete, Failing. Recorded for failure to achieve a permanent grade by the deadline stated in these regulations. Indiana University students who receive this grade will have a grade of F recorded on official transcripts.
NC	Completion of the course as an auditor; carries no credit
NP	Not passing grade when enrolled under the P/NP enrollment option. Purdue students who receive this grade will have a grade of N recorded on official transcripts.
P	Passing grade; under the P/NP option, equivalent to a grade of A, B, or C
S	Satisfactory, credit; awarded by the Registrar upon satisfactory performance in a course offered only on an S/F basis, or on a departmental divisional examination, or another award of special credit, or completion of a zero-credit course. Purdue University student who receive this grade will have a grade of P recorded on official transcripts whenever the course involves one or more credits
W	Withdrew; a record of the fact that the student officially withdrew from (dropped) a course or was administratively withdrawn from a course for nonpayment of fees after the end of the fourth week
NS	Not Submitted; assigned when a grade is not submitted by the instructor.

6.3: P/NP option. The P/NP option provides the student with the opportunity to take free electives with minimal concern for grades earned. The student who enrolls under this option must fulfill the same requirements as others enrolled in the course. The instructor will not be told which students have elected this option. The instructor's grades of A, B, and C for these students are changed to the grade of P by the Registrar. ~~The instructor's grades of D or F are recorded without change for Indiana University students.~~ The instructor's grades of D or F are changed by the Registrar to grades of NP for Purdue University students. Purdue University students who receive the grade of NP will have a grade of N recorded on official transcripts. Grades of P and NP are not used in computing the GPA.

Exercise of this option is subject to three limitations:

6.3.1: The student may elect the option only for courses which fulfill no graduation requirement except total number of credits (i.e. only for free-elective courses).

6.3.2: The student may not elect this option for any course in which the student has received a grade of A, B, C, D, or F.

6.3.3: The student may not elect this option for more than 20 percent of the credits required for graduation.

6.4: Incompletes. A grade of I is a temporary record of passing work which (1) was interrupted by circumstances beyond the student's control or (2) represents satisfactory work-in-progress in an independent-study or self-paced course. A student must have a majority of the required coursework completed (as determined by the instructor) before the instructor is permitted to assign the grade of incomplete. The instructor who reports a grade of I shall file in the Registrar's Office a statement that includes the following information:

- The reason for the incomplete
- The requirements for completion of the course
- The grade for the course to date
- The time limit allowed for completion of the course, shall not exceed one calendar year. An instructor may change the incomplete to a regular letter grade if requirements for completion of the course are not met within the specified period.
- Given extenuating circumstances, and approval of the instructor and the instructor's dean/division director, the time limit may be extended for a period not to exceed one additional calendar year.
- The Registrar's Office shall change the I to an IF unless the student graduates or removes the incomplete within the time allowed. ~~Indiana University students who receive this grade will have a grade of F recorded on official transcripts.~~
- If the student re-enrolls in the same course while the incomplete is still on the record, and the course is not repeatable for credit, the original incomplete shall remain on the record permanently.
- Students transferring resident credit for a course bearing an unremoved incomplete shall have the grade of I recorded for up to one calendar year from the date of admission to IPFW. At the end of this period, if the student has not graduated or provided evidence that the incomplete has been changed to a permanent grade, the Registrar's Office shall change any such unremoved incomplete to IF.

6.5: Final grade report. Each student's complete record for the session and the student's cumulative GPA shall be reported to the student, to the student's major department, and to the student's school/division.

6.6: Changes of grade

6.6.1: An instructor who discovers, within 30 days of the grade-processing deadline, that a grade reported for a student was in error shall promptly submit to the Registrar a statement, on a form specified by the Registrar and countersigned by the instructor's department chair/division director, of the circumstances of the error and of the change to be incorporated in future GPA's. Correction of errors after this time shall also require the approval of the instructor's dean/division director.

6.6.2: The Registrar shall inform the student, the department chair/division director, and the dean of the change of grade.

6.6.3: A student may retake any course. Unless the course is described in the Bulletin or its supplement as repeatable for credit, credit will be given only once for a repeated course, and only the most recent grade earned will be incorporated in GPA calculations.

6.6.4: A student may seek to effect a change of grade through the grade-appeals procedure established by the Fort Wayne Senate.

6.7 Midterm Grades

6.5.1. Midterm grades shall be reported to the students and to her/his academic advisor for students enrolled in 10000-20000 level courses at risk for failure (D or F).

6.5.2. Reporting of mid-term grades is to be completed no earlier than the beginning of the fourth week of classes and no later than the last day of classes in the seventh week.

6.5.3. Midterm grades are not to be part of the permanent record.

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Special Credit, Credit for Military Service, and Excess Undergraduate Credit

7.0: Special Credit, Credit for Military Service, and Excess Undergraduate Credit

7.1: Credit by departmental/divisional examination. Opportunities for earning undergraduate credit by departmental/divisional examination are encouraged in order to expedite the education of qualified students. Toward this end, each instructional department/division shall establish procedures to consider candidates, to administer, and to grade such examinations, and each department/division shall provide the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or a designee with comprehensive information on the principal courses that are available for departmental/divisional credit by examination, and test schedules if known. This information shall be made available in the Bulletin or its supplement, and it should be adequate to enable the student to assess eligibility and qualifications to take tests for credit.

- The student may request an examination for credit in a course if the course is available for credit by examination and if no grade in the course other than a grade of W or NC has been awarded. The examination shall be at least as comprehensive as those given in the course and shall be graded S (performance comparable to that expected of a student who receives an A, B, or C in the course) or unsatisfactory. The Registrar shall establish forms and procedures to assure proper distribution of results and for satisfactory performance shall record credit for the course on the student's record. No record shall be made on the transcript for unsatisfactory performance.

7.2: Achievement credit. Except as provided herein for the International Baccalaureate Program, credit or transfer credit for nationally administered examinations shall be awarded only after approval by the IPFW division/department that offers courses in the subject area. For participants in the International Baccalaureate Program, an award of 3-8 credits shall be made for each High level examination passed with a score of 4 or above. The admissions office will award undistributed credit in the appropriate disciplines until specific credit equivalencies are established by IPFW departments. No credit will be awarded for performance on Subsidiary level examinations.

7.3: Credit for military service. Each school/division shall decide whether credit for participation in military service may be applied toward a degree.

7.4: Excess undergraduate credit. A senior with a GPA of 3.00 or better may, with written permission from both an authorized graduate advisor and the instructor(s) involved, enroll in up to nine credits in excess of the requirements for graduation, in courses intended for use in a graduate program. Permission, if given, shall be noted on forms supplied by the Registrar, who shall make a transcript notation of the special status of these credits. Instructors shall impose graduate-level standards on such a student.

Grade-Point Averages

8.1: Grade-Point Averages. A grade-point average (GPA) is a weighted average of credits for which a grade of A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F, or IF has been assigned. Grade points will be assigned to each completed course according to the following table:

Grade	Grade Points
A+, A	4.0 x semester hours
A-	3.7 x semester hours
B+	3.3 x semester hours
B	3.0 x semester hours
B-	2.7 x semester hours
C+	2.3 x semester hours
C	2.0 x semester hours
C-	1.7 x semester hours
D+	1.3 x semester hours
D	1.0 x semester hours
D-	0.7 x semester hours
F, IF	0.0 x semester hours
I, NC, NP, P, S, W, NS	Not included

The GPA is the sum of the Grade Points for all included courses divided by the total number of hours for those courses. The GPA is rounded to two decimal places.

[Note: Prior to Summer 1993, Purdue University transcripts and related records were based on a "6-point" system, with grades of A equated to 6 points and other grades scaled accordingly (F equated to 2 points). Subsequent Purdue University records use the 4-point system described in these regulations.]

8.2: Semester GPA. The student's semester GPA is the GPA computed for those credits for which the student was assigned a GPA-related grade for the specified semester.

8.3: Cumulative GPA. The student's cumulative GPA is the GPA computed for all credits for which the student has been assigned a GPA-related grade, with the exception of those courses which have been repeated and which are not repeatable for credit (See Section 6.6.3).

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Academic Standing

9.0: Academic Standing

9.1: Good standing. For purposes of reports and communications to other institutions, and in the absence of any further qualifications of the term, a student is considered in "good standing" unless that student has been dismissed, suspended, or dropped from IPFW and not readmitted.

9.2: Academic recognition. At the conclusion of each fall or spring semester (but not any summer session) the Registrar shall indicate which undergraduate students are eligible for academic recognition.

9.2.1: On the Dean's List for having (a) at least 12 credit hours included in the graduation GPA, (b) at least 6 credit hours included in the semester GPA, (c) achieving at least a 3.5 graduation GPA, and (d) achieving at least a 3.0 semester GPA.

9.2.2: On the Semester Honors List for (a) having at least 6 credit hours included in the semester GPA, (b) achieving at least a 3.5 semester GPA, and (c) achieving at least a 2.0 graduation GPA.

Any student who achieves academic recognition for either of the two previous semesters is recognized at the annual Honors Convocation. An academic record entry will note the student's achievement of academic recognition.

9.3: Recognition of completion of honors program. When a student is certified by the Honors Program Council to have completed the requirements of the honors program, an appropriate academic record notation shall be made.

9.4: Academic probation, dismissal, and readmission. The following probation, dismissal, and readmission criteria are minimums for IPFW; academic units may set higher standards which shall become effective upon publication in the Bulletin or its supplement. A student dismissed from a program for failure to meet the higher standards imposed by an academic unit must be accepted in another program before registering for a subsequent academic session.

9.4.1: Academic Probation. A student shall be placed on academic probation if his/her fall or spring semester or cumulative GPA at the end of any fall or spring semester is less than a 2.0. A student on academic probation shall be removed from that standing at the end of the first subsequent fall or spring semester in which he/she achieves semester and cumulative GPA's equal to or greater than 2.0.

- IF: Semester GPA or Cumulative GPA is <2.0= ACADEMIC PROBATION
- IF: On academic probation and Cumulative GPA is <2.0 but Semester GPA is \geq 2.0= CONTINUED PROBATION
- IF: On academic probation and Semester GPA is <2.0 but Cumulative GPA is \geq 2.0= CONTINUED PROBATION

- Any grade change due to a reporting error will result in a recalculation of the GPA and determination of probation standing.
- Academic standing will not be assessed in summer sessions.

A student who wishes to appeal an academic probation standing should contact the academic department of their major for guidance in the appeal process.

9.4.2: Academic Dismissal. A student on academic probation shall be dismissed at the close of any fall or spring semester in which his/her semester and cumulative GPA is less than a 2.0.

- IF: On academic probation and both the Semester GPA and Cumulative GPA are <2.0=ACADEMIC DISMISSAL
- Any grade change due to a reporting error will result in a recalculation of the index and determination of the dismissal status.

A student who wishes to appeal an academic dismissal standing should contact the academic department of their major for guidance in the appeal process.

9.4.3: Readmission. A student who has been dismissed from IPFW or from another campus of Indiana University or Purdue University may not enroll at IPFW until one fall or spring semester has passed. All readmissions are into probationary status and are subject to stipulations in effect as a condition of readmission. Readmissions shall be reported to the Registrar, and an appropriate entry shall be made on the student's academic record. A student who is academically dismissed for a second time is not eligible to enroll for at least one year.

A student dismissed by this policy must apply to the appropriate office or readmission committee. A fee is assessed for processing the readmission application. Readmission is not guaranteed.

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Degrees

10.1: Degrees.

Academic units may impose stricter requirements than those listed in this section but may not waive the following minimum standards. Provided these minimum standards are satisfied, adjustments to any degree requirement may be made by the unit establishing that requirement.

10.2: Degrees offered. For completion of undergraduate plans of study of at least 60 credits, associate degrees may be conferred. For completion of undergraduate plans of study of at least 120 credits, bachelor's degrees may be conferred.

10.3: Requirements for degrees. Any student entering a degree, certificate, or pre-major program will be required to fulfill the requirements in the Bulletin current at the time of entry or re-entry to the university.

The primary reasons for a student to be required to meet the requirements of a subsequent bulletin include:

- Re-entry to IPFW (after a one year period of non-enrollment)
- By request with the written acknowledgment of the academic advisor
- When required by accreditation, a department may require students to complete the curriculum defined by the most current bulletin

Any student who remains continuously enrolled or admitted to the university will be required to meet the requirements of the Bulletin of the term of entry or re-entry to the university unless the student chooses to change to a subsequent Bulletin with the written acknowledgement of the academic advisor.

Any student who is not continuously enrolled due to a period of deployment to serve in a branch of the armed services may meet the requirements of the Bulletin of the most recent entry or re-entry to the university.

In addition:

- Any new requirement for a degree, certificate, or pre-major program may not be applied to currently enrolled students in these programs if it would increase the number of semester hours or the number of semesters required for completion of the program.
- The school/division/department committee in charge of curriculum matters may refuse to accept as credit toward graduation any course which was completed 10 or more years previously. Former students shall be notified of all such decisions upon reentering or when the credit is determined to be unacceptable.

To gain any associate or bachelor's degree from IPFW, the student shall satisfy the following requirements:

10.2.1: The completion by resident credit or transfer credit (see Section 1.2) of the plan of study underlying the degree, including:

10.2.1.1: For an associate degree, the registration in and completion of at least 32 credits of resident course credit, including at least 15 credits in courses applicable to the major.

10.2.1.2: For a bachelor's degree, the registration in and completion of at least 32 credits of resident course credit at the 200 level or above, including at least 15 credits at the 300 level or above in courses applicable to the major.

10.2.2: Normally, completion of the entire final year in residence. However, with the approval of the student's school/division, a student who has satisfied the resident course credit requirement may complete the remaining requirements in another approved college or university.

10.2.3: Establishment of a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better.

10.2.4: Registration, either in residence or in absentia, as a candidate for the desired degree during the academic session immediately preceding its conferral.

10.3: Double majors and double degrees. ~~The academic units sponsoring programs shall certify completion by the student of each degree and any second major that may have been completed.~~

A student who will be completing the requirements for two or more degree programs simultaneously may be eligible to be registered as a candidate for more than one degree according to the following criteria:

10.3.1: Double major. ~~A student who completes the requirements for more than one program will be awarded a degree with a double major if (1) the requirements are completed at the same time, (2) the programs are offered by the same school or division and the same university at IPFW, and (3) the programs lead to the same degree, where "the same degree" means a B.A. (IU or Purdue) or a B.F.A. or a B.S. (PU only) or a B.S.C., etc.~~

If the degree programs are in the same school and lead to the same degree, only one degree shall be awarded. The academic record shall reflect multiple fields of study, as appropriate.

10.3.2: Double degree. ~~A student who completes all requirements for more than one program will be awarded two degrees if the above requirements for a double major are not satisfied, except that Purdue University students who complete requirements for a second Purdue University major leading to the same degree in the same school or division as originally earned shall have this major noted on their transcripts but shall not receive a second degree.~~

If the degree programs are in different schools, two (or more) degrees may be awarded upon special request approved by the deans of the schools concerned and filed with the registrar at the beginning of the semester or session in which the degrees are to be awarded.

If the degree programs are in the same school and lead to different degrees, the appropriate degrees shall be awarded.

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Minors

11.0: Minors

11.1: Establishment. A minor-subject program may be established by any academic unit at IPFW subject to approval by the college/school/division containing the unit, to approval by the Curriculum Review Subcommittee, to acceptance by the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and to publication of requirements for completion of the program in the Bulletin or its supplement. Completion of any minor must require a minimum of 12 credits, including at least six resident credits at the 200-level or above.

11.2: Certification. A student may earn a minor by requesting acceptance into the minor from the academic unit offering the minor. If accepted, the unit offering the minor will submit the appropriate electronic Form 42 to the Office of the Registrar to add the minor to the student's current degree program. An academic unit may authorize a student's major advising unit to add the minor by submitted a Form 42 for the student. This authorization would be stated in the offering unit's minor requirements listed in the Bulletin.

- At the same time as degree certification is processed, the degree-granting unit shall certify the student's completion of all minor requirements. Certification shall be based on completion of the minor program requirements in effect for the bulletin of the student's current degree program.

11.3: Transcript entry. Concurrent with completion of degree requirements, the Registrar shall make an appropriate entry on the student's transcript to signal completion of the minor. No entry shall be made on the transcript if the minor is not completed by the time the student is certified for graduation.

Transcripts

12.1: TRANSCRIPTS. A student or former student whose record is not encumbered for any reasons described herein shall, upon application at IPFW to the Registrar and payment of any prescribed charge, be entitled to receive a transcript of the complete record, including any major(s) and minor(s).

12.2: Records of Actions on Transcripts

Disciplinary actions will not be recorded on transcripts unless disciplinary actions involve involuntary separation from the University (e.g., suspension and or expulsion), or degree revocation. In these instances, the following notations will be added to the transcript:

12.1.1 Suspension

The following statement will be added to the transcript while the suspension is in place. Once the suspension ends, regardless of whether or not the student returns to the University, the statement will no longer appear on the academic record.

“The student has been suspended until [insert date] due to violation of University regulations.”

12.1.2 Expulsion

The following statement will be added to the transcript and remain a permanent part of the transcript.

“The student was expelled due to violation of University regulations.”

12.1.3 Degree revocation

The following statement will be added to the transcript and remain a permanent part of the transcript.

“The individual’s degree has been revoked and this individual has been expelled due to violation of University regulations. “

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Encumbrance 13.0:

Encumbrance

13.1: Request for encumbrance. The request for the encumbrance of a student record shall be filed with the Registrar's office and shall indicate whether either or both the registration of the student and/or the issuance of a transcript or diploma is to be encumbered. Because the encumbrance shall remain in effect until the Registrar is notified by the officer responsible to disencumber the record, it is the responsibility of the officer lifting the encumbrance immediately to notify the Registrar.

13.2: Effect upon graduation. A student in arrears to IPFW shall not receive a diploma. The clearance of a student's financial obligation on or before the Friday before Commencement shall be essential for graduation. If a student so delinquent clears the obligation later, the diploma will be released.

Amendments

14.1: Amendments. Subject to the following restrictions, these IPFW Academic Regulations and Procedures may be amended in accordance with the Bylaws of the Senate.

14.2: Submission. Proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Senate under the title "Proposed Amendments to the IPFW Academic Regulations and Procedures."

14.3: Voting. A final vote on proposed amendments may not be taken at the meeting or convocation in which the proposals are introduced.

14.4: Dissemination. Copies of amendments shall be forwarded by the Presiding Officer of the Senate to the appropriate administrative personnel.