

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Steven Hanke, Chair of the Educational Policy Committee

DATE: 11/3/2020

SUBJ: Change to Pass/Not Pass status for Fall 2020 semester

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WHEREAS, Current academic regulations state: “Prior to the end of the fourth week of an academic semester (or equivalent period during a summer session), you may add or remove the P/NP option for a course by obtaining the signature of the course instructor or an academic advisor next to the appropriate notation on the schedule-revision (drop/add) form, and by submitting the form for processing by the registrar’s office”; and

WHEREAS, we have previously extended the withdraw date and the audit date (SD 20-3 was passed on Sept 21, 2020); and

WHEREAS, students are still being challenged by COVID in a number of different ways and we desire to continue to assist them in a variety of ways; and

WHEREAS, Purdue University West Lafayette extended both the withdraw and P/NP options for students in response to students’ continued stress;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the date to change from a letter grade to a P/NP option for courses be extended until December 4, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all Passing grades (i.e., C- or above) or any grade that is designated as passing by the student’s department will demonstrate meeting degree requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following be kept in mind: As with this change during Spring 2020, faculty will not “know ahead of time” if the student(s) have selected a P/NP option. Therefore, all faculty need to continue grading exams/projects to determine a “letter” grade. They also will need to enter that letter grade into Banner at the end of the semester. The system will then automatically “flip” this letter grade to a “P/NP” equivalent for the students who have selected this option. In addition, faculty should direct students to Financial Aid to determine if there will be any consequences for making this change.