

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeff Nowak, Presiding Officer

FROM: Stephen Buttes, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

DATE: 01/23/2026

SUBJ: Educational Policy Committee Chair's Progress Report on Committee Review of SD 25-21

In its meeting on January 12, 2026, the Senate voted to commit SD 25-21 (Ad-Hoc Academic Regulations Task Force Final Report) to the Educational Policy Committee (EPC). EPC has had two meetings focused on the document review. EPC's task is to align the following:

- The proposed revisions to PFW Academic Regulations as they appear in the spreadsheets linked in SD 25-21
- Senate Documents containing revised Academic Regulations from Academic Years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026 (some or all of which were not a part of the Ad-Hoc Academic Regulations Task Force Final Report) [see the listed and linked documents on the next page]
- Current Academic Regulations as they appear in the AY 2025-2026 Catalog (which already include the Senate-approved modifications to the regulations in the Senate Documents listed and linked on the next page)

Initially, EPC began its work by attempting to map the Senate Documents onto the spreadsheets provided by the Ad-Hoc Academic Regulations Task Force. However, the spreadsheets are organized topically rather than numerically, and it became difficult to reconcile the format of the spreadsheets linked in SD 25-21 with Senate Documents and the remaining other Academic Regulations in the Catalog. Additionally, in some cases, there were two different proposals for changing an Academic Regulation.

EPC concluded that the clearest way to present the Ad-Hoc Task Force proposals without modifying already-approved Senate changes embedded in the current Academic Regulations was to map specific Ad-Hoc Task Force proposals onto the current regulations. EPC further concluded that the Senate review and approval process of these revisions could proceed most expeditiously by preparing a separate resolution for each section of the Academic Regulations so that specific changes in such a large document can be easily discussed and approved via Senate parliamentary procedures.

EPC was informed by Terri Swim that the revisions can be incorporated in the AY 2026-2027 Catalog if they are approved in the March meeting. EPC has completed the creation of draft resolutions and is currently reviewing them for accuracy. We plan to vote to send these to the Senate in our February meetings and are organizing our review so that we can send the resolutions for consideration in the full Senate by the document deadline for the March Senate meeting. We wish to keep the Senate updated on our progress since our initial understanding was that the documents needed to be approved in the February meeting.

Senators are advised that EPC will be sending 14 resolutions (one for each section of the Academic Regulations). For that reason, you will want to carve out a little extra time to review the March Senate meeting agenda.

Because of the importance of this document (it includes official policies on grades, admissions, and all other academic matters), it is advisable that Senators actively seek input from faculty in their departments, schools, and colleges.

**List of Academic Regulation Changes Approved by the Senate
Since the Task Force Was Established in Spring 2022
(Academic Year 2021-2022) ([SD 21-37](#))**

Academic Year 2022-2023

Academic Reg. 3.10 – 3.10.9 changed - [SD 22-27](#)

Academic Reg. 7.3 changed Jan. 2023 - [SD 22-15](#)

Academic Reg. 3.2.4 changed - [SD 22-11](#)

Academic Year 2023-2024

Academic Reg. 1.2.1 changed - [SD 23-26](#)

Academic Reg. 10.4 changed - [SD 23-25](#)

Academic Reg. 5.1 and 5.2 changed - [SD 23-23](#)

Academic Reg. 9.4 changed (April 2024) - [SD 23-21](#)

Academic Reg. 9.4. changed (Feb. 2024) - [SD 23-14](#)

Academic Reg. 4.0 – end of section 4.0 changed - [SD 23-10](#)

Academic Year 2024-2025

Academic Reg. 7.1 - [SD 24-22](#) [EPC is tasked with making the needed change to Advanced Credit policy/Credit for Prior Learning policy; Ad-Hoc Subcommittee developing procedures]

Academic Reg. 3.8.2 - 3.9.2 changed - [SD 24-12](#)

Academic Year 2025-2026

Academic Reg. 7.4 changed - [SD 25-7](#)