

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeff Nowak, Presiding Officer
FROM: Stephen Buttes, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

DATE: 02/18/2026

SUBJ: Revised Academic Regulations – Section 7.0

WHEREAS, the Senate committed SD 25-21 (Ad-Hoc Academic Regulations Task Force Final Report) to the Educational Policy Committee (EPC); and,

WHEREAS, EPC reviewed the current Academic Regulations (Academic Year 2025-2026), the Ad-Hoc Task Force’s Final Report, and Senate Documents containing revised Academic Regulations from Academic Years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026; and,

WHEREAS, the EPC review sought to align current Academic Regulations, Senate Documents (Fall 2022 – Fall 2025), and the Ad-Hoc Task Force recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, 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; and,

WHEREAS, 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;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate approve the specific revisions to section 7.0 of the Academic Regulations listed below.

[PFW Academic Regulations - AY 2025-2026 - PFW Catalog](#)

Current Language (PFW Catalog AY 2025-2026)	Proposed Language (PFW Catalog AY 2026-2027)
Special Credit, Credit for Military Service, and Excess Undergraduate Credit	no proposed change
7.0: Special Credit, Credit for Military Service, and Excess Undergraduate Credit	no proposed change
<p>7.1: Advanced Credit. 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 Catalog or its supplement, and it should be adequate to enable the student to assess eligibility and qualifications to take tests for credit.</p>	<p>7.1: Credit by departmental examination. Opportunities for earning undergraduate credit by departmental examination are encouraged in order to expedite the education of qualified students. Toward this end, each instructional department shall establish procedures to consider candidates, to administer, and to grade such examinations, and each department shall provide the chief academic officer or a designee with comprehensive information on the principal courses that are available for departmental credit by examination, and test schedules if known. This information shall be made available online, and it should be adequate to enable the student to assess eligibility and qualifications to take tests for credit.</p>
<p>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.</p>	no proposed change

<p>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 PFW division/department that offers courses in the subject area. For participants in the International Baccalaureate Program, credits will be awarded based on Department approval for select Subsidiary and Higher Level subjects with a score of 5 or above. Purdue University Fort Wayne Office of International Education will work with departments to determine the appropriate number of credits to award in each specific discipline. Undistributed credits will be awarded for subjects where the respective department has declined specific course credits. Participants who complete Advanced Subsidiary ("AS") or Advanced ("A") levels will be awarded credits based on Department approval for select AS and A level subjects with a score of C or above. Purdue University Fort Wayne Office of International Education will work with departments to determine the appropriate number of credits to award in each discipline. Undistributed credits will be awarded for subjects where the respective department has declined specific course credits.</p>	<p>no proposed change</p>
<p>7.3: Credit for military service. Distributed or undistributed credit will be awarded, based on evaluation by appropriate PFW disciplinary faculty, to optimize student academic progress and paths to degree completion while meeting expectations of professional accreditation and associations, for all Joint Service Transcript (JST) ACE academic credit recommendations at the undergraduate level. For military students, the maximum number of transferrable credits through the JST, CLEP, DANTES and Excelsior Exams may not exceed 70% of an individual's degree requirements for online programs or 75% for in person programs. Transfer for military personnel include:</p>	<p>no proposed change</p>

<p>Distributed or undistributed credit, based on evaluation by appropriate PFW disciplinary faculty, for all JST ACE undergraduate level academic credit recommendations.</p> <p>Distributed or undistributed credit for transfer of courses from other institutions in accordance with established PFW transfer credit policies.</p> <p>Distributed or undistributed credit as established by the appropriate PFW disciplinary faculty for CLEP scores of 50 or higher.</p> <p>Distributed or undistributed credit as established by the appropriate PFW disciplinary faculty for DSST scores of 400 or higher.</p> <p>Distributed or undistributed credit as established by the appropriate PFW disciplinary faculty for Excelsior College examination scores of C or higher.</p>	<p>no proposed change</p>
<p>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. A completed Grade Change Form indicating excess undergraduate credit and the specific courses shall be supplied to the Registrar by the department. The Registrar will add a transcript notation of the special status of these credits. Instructors shall impose graduate-level standards on such a student.</p>	<p>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 twelve credits in excess of the requirements for graduation, in courses intended for use in a graduate program. A completed Grade Change Form indicating excess undergraduate credit and the specific courses shall be supplied to the Registrar by the department. The Registrar will add a transcript notation of the special status of these credits. Instructors shall impose graduate-level standards on such a student. In order to be eligible to have excess undergraduate credit applied to their transcript, the student must have junior or senior standing when taking the graduate course and must receive a grade of B or better. Work taken under the pass/not-pass option is not acceptable.</p>