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College of Undergraduate Studies

Dear Colleagues:

Last fall, we began to share plans to update and create policies that have been developed by the College of Undergraduate Studies and approved by the Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Committee (UPCC). The purpose of this e-mail is to let you know what's changing and why, who the changes will affect and how you can help drive awareness and understanding of the policies among your students. We will share this information with faculty and staff tomorrow.

The new policies support UCF's commitment to ensuring that our students have the knowledge, skills, and capabilities to succeed academically and professionally. Additionally, they support the university's student success goals as outlined in its five-year strategic plan.

The following policies will go into effect in the Fall 2023 semester:

Modified Withdrawal Policy (applies to new FTIC and transfer students)

Students may now only withdraw from a course twice and are allowed a maximum of six course withdrawals at UCF, three from 1000-2000 level courses and three from 3000+ level courses. With advisor approval, students may enroll in a course for a third time. However, they will not be allowed to withdraw from a course a third time. Students are permitted two full semester withdrawals. Full semester withdrawals do not count toward the six total course withdrawals, but do count against the per-course limit of two. Read the policy at <https://bit.ly/modifiedwithdrawal>.

Timely Academic Progress Toward a Degree (applies to all undergraduate students)

Students who wish to change their major after having earned 75 credit hours must receive approval from an advisor in their new major, and students who have earned 90

credit hours must work with their advisor to develop a completion plan for their degree. The university reserves the right to award a degree to any undergraduate student who has completed his or her respective major degree requirements, even if they intend to continue attending classes at UCF. Read the policy at <https://bit.ly/degree-progress>.

Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Grading (applies to all undergraduate students)

Students in good academic standing may choose to apply Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grading to courses rather than taking a letter grade. S/U grading will not affect the student's GPA, and students who choose the S/U option can revert back to a letter grade before the withdrawal deadline. A student may only use the S/U option a total of four times at UCF. Colleges and departments can put restrictions on whether students can pursue S/U for specific classes. Eligible courses will be indicated in mySchedule Builder. Read the policy at <https://bit.ly/SUGrading>.

For additional information about the new policies, visit the Academic Policies webpage at <https://undergrad.ucf.edu/faculty/policy-updates>.

Over the next few months, we'll share information about the new policies with the campus, including videos and FAQs. In the meantime, please review these policies so that you're prepared to discuss the changes with students in the event questions arise.

Thank you.



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