

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR NEWSLETTER

December 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

December 8: Last day of classes for full term and second half term

December 9: Reading day **December 10-16**: Final exams

December 11: Final exams for Saturday clas-

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December 17-18: Commencement

December 17: Summer 2022 schedule of classes available on the web

December 20: Final grades due by noon for

full term and second half term

December 22: Fall 2021 probation/
suspension notices sent to students

December 24-31: Winter break –

University closed

APPEAL TOOL

A team of Enrollment Management and Academic Advising staff have been working together, in conjunction with OneIT, to enhance Appeal Submissions providing students with a user-friendly portal to submit appeals. In May, the team launched the Financial Aid SAP Appeal and this month the Academic Suspension Appeal has been added for use by students at the end of the semester. Additional appeal types will be considered for inclusion in the future.

DEGREEWORKS - A NEW MAKEOVER FOR 2022!

A more modern look of <u>DegreeWorks</u> is coming to you in February 2022! The new <u>DegreeWorks</u> will display degree progress within an interface that's mobile-friendly, less-crowded, and mapped with intuitive visual cues. Keep an eye out for more information and a list of training sessions scheduled to kick off in January. If you have any questions or would like to begin using the new interface, please email <u>degreeworks@uncc.edu</u>.

COMING SOON! PRE-EXERCISE SCIENCE (PEXE) REPLACING PRE-KINESIOLOGY (PKNS)

Recently, we shared a name change for the Department of Applied Physiology, Health and Clinical Sciences (formerly Kinesiology). To better align with their new unit name, they are proposing a name change for the pre-major and course prefixes. The pre-major designation will be changing from Pre-kinesiology (PKNS) to Pre-Exercise Science (PEXE). The undergrad course prefixes will change from PKNS to EXER with the roll-out of the 2022-2023 catalog. The department wanted to share this information now to help streamline this transition.

COREQUISITE LECTURE/LAB CONCERN

If a student withdraws from one, but not the other it throws an error. <u>But,</u> if AUTH or PERMIT overrides are given, an error is not thrown. The student will be able to stay with the other course. Please be aware of this concern when providing overrides.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR DATE CORRECTIONS - PLEASE NOTE

Spring 1st Half

- Add/Drop (moved date from Jan 11 to Jan 12) allow 2 business days
 Spring 2nd Half
- Add/Drop (moved date from Mar 17 to Mar 18) allow 2 business days
 Summer 1st Half
 - Add/Drop (moved date from May 24 to May 25) allow 2 business days
 - Payment Due (moved date from May 24 to May 25) allow 2 business days

Summer 2nd Half

- Add/Drop (moved date from Jul 6 to Jul 7) allow 2 business days
- Payment Due (moved date from Jul 6 to Jul 7) allow 2 business days

PASS/NO CREDIT REQUESTS

We wanted to share that there are two Pass/No Credit Requests within the <u>Academic Petition</u> tool.

Change Grade Mode-Pass/No Credit

This petition aligns with our current and pre-pandemic pass/no credit policy. Every student will be permitted during his/her undergraduate years to select up to a total of four courses (at most one per academic year) in which they can receive an evaluation of H (honors), P (pass), or N (no credit). This option is designed to encourage curiosity, exploration, and experimentation in areas where a student has strong interest but little or no previous experience. The Pass/No Credit option only applies to courses normally graded on an A-F scale, and it cannot be used on courses taken by a student for credit toward his/her major or minor or to satisfy University General Education requirements. The approver is the student's Department Chair for their major.

Change Grade Mode-Pass/No Credit (Pandemic-Related)

This option is limited to courses taken during **Spring 2020**, **Summer 2020**, **Fall 2020**, **Spring 2021**, or **Summer 2021** and requires justification. There continues to be unforeseeable impacts from these pandemic terms and it is expected that exceptions will be necessary for several years in the future. Courses selected for Pass/No Credit in spring 2020 and aca-demic year 2020-2021 are excluded from the maximum four attempts stated in the Catalog. Courses designated by the faculty to be graded on a Pass/No Credit basis may count for the major. Courses completed with the grade of Honors or Pass will count toward the hours needed for graduation, but they will not be considered in the computation of the grade point average. The H grade (*limited to the 2020-2021 academic year*) will signify that they have satisfied progression (prerequisite) requirements. The approver is the student's Instructor, Department Chair for their major, Associate Dean for Education (if applicable), and Associate Dean for their College.

While the nature of an academic petition is to authorize an exception to policy, it might be good for students to consider a late withdrawal (W or WE) instead of a Pass/No Credit exception. For terms outside those identified here, Pass/No Credit is used and applied differently.

And, as mentioned in our October newsletter, the new deadline for Pass/No Credit and Audit requests has been extended to align with the Withdrawal deadline for the term. Check the <u>Academic Calendar</u> for the exact date.

CLEAR BAG POLICY FOR COMMENCEMENT

For the December commencement ceremonies, masks are required and a <u>clear bag policy</u> will be enforced at the Student Activity Center. Please visit the commencement <u>website</u> for ceremony information.