OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES

October 1: Last day to withdraw from a course(s) for first half term; grades subject to withdrawal policy at 11:59pm

October 5: Deadline to apply for December 2020 graduation

October 5: Unsatisfactory web grading access available for Fall 2020

October 9: Unsatisfactory grade notices emailed to students for first half term

October 12: Student registration appointment times available on the web

October 20: Faculty final web grading access available for first half term

October 20: Last day of classes for first half term

October 21-22: Final exams for first half term

October 23: Unsatisfactory grades due for Fall 2020 by noon

October 26: Unsatisfactory grade notices emailed to students for Fall 2020

October 27: Final grades due for first half term by 5:00pm

October 29: First day of classes for second half term

October 31: Saturday classes begin for second half term

CHANGE IN EXAM SCHEDULE

The exam schedule has changed, as a result of the University's move to all online exams. Please reference the updated exam schedule and please share with your students and/or advisees.

REMINDER:

Don't forget to submit any substitutions or waivers. You don't need to wait to send them together. We accept them individually too. So far, 1,860 undergraduate students have applied to graduate in fall 2020.

KNOW ME PROJECT UPDATE

Advising Transcript now lists students' preferred first name.

WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL? HOW CAN WE HELP?

Search by expertise or individual: https://sites.google.com/a/uncc.edu/office-of-the-registrar-directory/

ACADEMIC PETITION NEW FEATURE

After receiving feedback from several departments, the Academic Petition system has been updated to include new logic related to academic advisors. Any petition type that includes Undergraduate Major Advisor (including the Early Entry petition type at the Graduate level) will include all major advisors in the petition routing, however, only the advisors that are related to the request are required to enter a decision.

DEGREEWORKS UPGRADE

DW 5.0.3.2 upgrade was successful. We want to offer a big thank you to OneIT for their help. Testing for this upgrade encompassed several months of hard work in both the Offices of the Graduate School, Registrar, and OneIT.

SPRING 2021 CLASSROOM CAPACITIES

As you plan for spring 2021, we have posted the current COVID-19 social distancing classroom capacities for your reference. Go to: https://registrar.uncc.edu. Select the **Resources Menu**, then **COVID-19 Classroom Capacities**.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND ACADEMIC STANDING APPEALS PROJECT

We are appreciative of Katie Ramstack's, Enrollment Management Project Manager, leadership, bringing several offices together to develop a combined SAP and academic standing appeal process. The primary objectives are to: consolidate the two appeal forms into one process/form; ensure the appeal form is clear to students to allow for the decision to made efficiently; provide a tracking tool that allows for automatic assignment, based on the student's situation; maintain a record of previous appeals and high-level decisions; provide alert functionality, metrics reporting, decision escalation, and other important evaluation support items (GPD, calculated completion rate, required documentation, 49er Rebound, etc.); and finally a notes feature. Katie will share more details as this project develops.

COMMENCEMENT UPDATE

We are moving forward with plans for a **virtual celebration** to honor all of our 2020 graduates (May, August and December) on **Friday, January 8, 2021**. The University will work with student and faculty leaders to create a commemoration that is meaningful for our graduates and their families. Our commencement website and FAQs will also be updated with the latest information.

WITHDRAWALS

Students who withdraw during this semester will receive a WE, withdrawal with extenuating circumstances. As long as a student is withdrawing during the withdrawal period for the course (either full term or part of term), the student will be able to select WE in SSB. Withdrawals that were submitted prior to the announcement (9/22) have been converted to WE grades. This allows students to withdraw without counting those withdrawals towards the 16 credit hour limit.

GRADE REPLACEMENT UPDATE

As a reminder, the Grade Replacement policy will change beginning with the fall 2021 term. Instead of the "opt in" process students are used to, this new policy will involve an automated selection process and an "opt out" process. Our team is working closely with OneIT to develop how this will be implemented.

As we start to develop FAQ's, communication, and training materials, we need your help in understanding the potential impact this policy will have on advising for fall 2021. Here's what we need from you:

- Specific information that advisors will need access to related to new policy
- Questions you or your advisees may have about the new policy
- Concerns you or your advisees may have about the new policy

We value your feedback as we accommodate this new policy. We will provide more information on implementation as we get closer to the fall 2021 term.