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Date: 3/30/2006
To: Dr.Sarah Fishman-Boyd
From: College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
RE: Readmission for Students suspended in Spring Semesters

Purpose of this memo is to discontinue the process in which students who are suspended at the end of the spring semester are immediately allowed to begin the readmission process and only sit out the summer before starting classes again in the fall.

Supporting points:

- 1) When a student is suspended for the first time the student is ineligible to re-enroll for one semester.
- 2) The readmission process begins when registration becomes available for the next semester for which the student is eligible.
- 3) Students who are suspended in the fall begin the readmission near the end of spring semester when registration begins for the summer and fall semesters. We do not allow summer readmission due to the condensed nature of summer courses, so students suspended the fall are only readmitted for the following fall.
- 4) Registration for the fall becomes available in the spring, thus currently students who are suspended in the spring are allowed to complete the readmission process for the fall immediately following their suspension. These students do not have time to reflect on what brought them to suspension before they begin readmission. They are also only required to sit out the summer sessions which many students already do not participate in.
- 5) If this change is implemented students suspended in the spring would only readmit for the following spring.

Attachments

CLASS Undergraduate Studies Committee
Minutes from Meeting of March 30, 2006

Attendee: Anth: Drs. Randolph Widmer, Art: Richard Hutchens, Comm: Suzanne Buck, Engl: Ann Christensen, History: Phil Howard, Phil: William Nelson, Pols: Victor Mote, Psyc: Suzanne Kieffer, Sociology, Tracy Karner, Theatre: Brian Byrnes, Assoc Dean: Sarah Fishman, Director, Academic Affairs, Janie Graham, Meeting Secretary, Jeanie Langston.

Guests: Jyoti Cameron, Afrah Hassan, John Seltenright, Academic Affairs.

Opened @ 2:52 p.m.

John Seltenright presented his memo on health classes. The directors agree. Bill Nelson made a motion, Victor Mote seconded and the motion passed. This is a College policy and therefore the change will enter into effect immediately.

Afrah Hassan presented her memo on the readmission of students suspended for one semester in the Spring. She proposed requiring them to sit out the Fall semester, rather than counting the summer semester as the suspension semester. Bill Nelson made a motion to approve her proposal, Victor Mote seconded and the motion passed. This is a College policy that will enter into effect immediately.

Dr. Fishman raised the question of whether the group would prefer to change the criteria for selecting the College's Commencement departmental Banner Bearers. Currently the college stipulates that the departments select honors eligible students (who have or will have 66 hours at UH) with the highest gpa. Some faculty have expressed a desire to have department's select a student that best represents them without relying on gpa. The Committee however strongly supports maintaining the current criteria. The committee also supported having Academic Affairs make the initial selection and presenting the names (banner bearer and one alternate) to the Departments (Chairs, Directors and Advisors) for approval.

Dr. Fishman presented information from her meeting with Catherine Parsenault from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. She pressed the University to clean up the core, delete courses no longer taught or courses whose prerequisites already satisfy a core requirement. Dr. Fishman presented the Committee with a list of core courses not taught since the Summer of 2003 and requested that each department either prepare a memo to delete the courses from the core, or send her a note explaining why they should not be deleted.

Dr. Fishman also encouraged each department to develop courses for the new Writing in the Disciplines area of the core.

Adjourned: 3:45 p.m.