To: Undergraduate Council
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Re: Academic Notice

Proposal: To begin the academic notice sanction in a "long" semester (fall or spring) rather than the "first" semester at the University of Houston.

The academic notice sanction is designed to warn students of their lack of academic progress in the "first" semester at the University of Houston. While this works for most students who matriculate in a long semester as their first semester (mostly fall semester), this sanction does not help those students who begin their academic career in the summer term, meaning those students who activate their "first" semester during the summer. While a student may perform well with a 3 or 6 hour load in a summer term, they may not do well in the Fall with a full load and thus will automatically be put on academic probation rather than on academic notice.

The new proposal affords those students who want to start their academic careers earlier in the summer the same time frame for academic notice, probation, and suspension, as their classmates who elect to start in a long semester.