

**FINAL REPORT OF THE
FY2016 ACADEMIC POLICIES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE (AP&P)**

The committee was given the following charges:

Standing charges:

1. Be prepared to respond to SenEx requests for reviews of academic policy issues. (ongoing)
2. Monitor proposals for academic program restructuring and discontinuance, hold hearings, and follow other procedures in accordance with Article VIII of the University Senate Rules and Regulations. Report issues or recommendations for action to SenEx. (ongoing)
3. Consider input from Student Senate on desired changes to academic policies. (ongoing)
4. **FY2016 Committee** - Review the University of Kansas' Financial Exigency policy found in USRR, Art VII. (See Governance Office for information.) It was last reviewed by AP&P in FY11 and they did not suggest any changes at that time. USRR 7.5.1 states that "Every five years after the official acceptance of this document by the Chancellor, it shall be reviewed by the University administration and by AP&P. Either group may then suggest revisions to the document." Any changes to the policy would ultimately go to the University Senate for a vote.

Specific Charges:

1. Evaluate the grade replacement policy USRR 2.2.8. Review and amend as necessary. Report to the University Senate by **November 1, 2015**.
2. Consider the request from the office of the Registrar to add grades SP (Satisfactory Progress), LP (Limited Progress) and NP (No Progress) for thesis and dissertation hours for graduate students and to make a recommendation to SenEx by **December 1, 2015**. (see attached) .
3. Consider the request from the School of Pharmacy to add grades SH (Satisfactory with Honors), S (Satisfactory), F (Fail), and I (Incomplete) applicable to field work (clinical rotations) for grades assigned by preceptors.
4. Working with the IT Security Officer, AP&P should establish protocols to assure maintenance of individual privacy in any changes to technology implementation.

Specific Charge 1 was completed on March 8, 2016. An amended version of the grade replacement policy USRR 2.2.8 was forwarded to SenEx for consideration.

Specific Charge 2 was completed in February, 2016. SenEx approved AP&P's recommendation for the creation of USSR 2.2.5 as follows:

USRR 2.2.5 The College or any school may use the letters SP (Satisfactory Progress), LP (Limited Progress), NP (No Progress) only for dissertation and thesis hours or their approved equivalents. In the case of a completing student, the grade assigned to the final thesis or dissertation hour enrollments must be an SP.


Specific Charge 3 was completed in March, 2016, The AP&P forwarded to SenEx the recommendation that the request be approved with the following modifications: E (Excellent), S (Satisfactory), U (Unsatisfactory) and I (Incomplete) for field work (clinical rotations) for grades recommended by preceptors.

Specific Charge 4 was discussed but the committee has not yet produced a draft. This complex issue will require more time. Discussion will continue through the next academic year.

Standing charge 2 was dealt with in MARCH/April, 2016. The AP&P Committee voted 9 to 1 to approve the School of Law's request to discontinue the Elder Law LL.M. Per *University Senate Rules and Regulations* (USRR) 8.3.4, the matter was forwarded to the University Senate for its recommendation.

Standing Charge 4 was dealt with on March 8, 2016. The AP&P approved the financial exigency policy currently in the USRR and sent it to SenEx for consideration with the instruction that they discuss the value of forwarding to FacEx before it goes to the full University Senate.

Respectively submitted, 4-13-16

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean Stetler", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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