## Iowa State University Agenda

**Meeting:** Academic Standards and Admissions Committee  
**Key Roles**  
Meeting Leader: Terri Boylston  
Support: Laura Bell  

**Date:** Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2020  
**Place:** virtual  
**Start Time:** 2:00 p.m.  
**End Time:** 3:00 p.m.

### TOPIC

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### OLD BUSINESS

1A. Graduation with Distinction
- ‘Graduation with Distinction’ and ‘Cum Laude’ policies
- Designations based on gpa upon meeting degree requirements
- BSN program - 32 credits to complete requirements
- See attached proposed policy

Graduation with distinction based on the student’s gpa at the time they have completed their program requirements. The BSN program has adjusted their program to be 32 credits.

Terri has reorganized the policy to assist with readability. We will want to adjust the degrees discussion regarding bachelor of science to be more comprehensive. We can reword this to state candidates for bachelor degrees, candidates for liberal studies, and candidates for BSN.

Motion to accept the proposed policy:
Moved: Townsend, Second, Selby  
Vote: Unanimously approved

1B. Winter Session
- FAQ’s – comments or additional FAQ’s
- FAQ: Will a drop during Winter Session count towards a student’s total number of dropped courses? Yes. – *expand on response*

Please review FAQ’s and share your feedback to Terri by next Monday.

How will courses appear on the student schedule? For accreditation, can we ensure that these winter courses, were taken during a different session. There is a concern about pre-req’s appearing to be taken in the same semester. Jennifer will talk with Diane to ask about what solutions we can find to resolve this issue. There has been discussion about making a notation.

Currently new students (never enrolled at ISU) are not allowed to take courses during winter session. Reinstated students are permitted to take courses during the winter session. If students are dismissed at the end of fall they will be dropped from their winter session courses. These students are considered continuing students and these courses are part of spring semester. Enrollment in winter session courses will be at the approval of the college’s reinstatement committee for approval.

Will messaging be provided to advisers to discuss with reinstated students the potential concerns/risks for enrolling in winter session courses. Can a code be added to the student that would state they are being reinstated for spring 2021 and not allow the student to register for winter courses. This would be something we would need to ask the tech team about. This could require a greater lift than what is possible at this time. Winter session coursework must be approved by the College’s Academic Standards
Committee when working with the student to develop their program of study. Share concerns with students regarding enrollment in the winter session courses as these are accelerated courses. It will be important for all students, not just those who are reinstated to be made aware that the winter session courses are greatly accelerated.

There is nothing stopping students from signing up for more than four credits.

The number of credits a student takes in the winter session will be added to the number of credits they take in the spring semester. These credits will be subject to the students total credit limit. For example a student who has a credit limit of 18 takes 4 credits in the winter session and 16 in the spring would need to request an increase to their credit limit.

Faculty will make their winter session course grades viewable in Canvas. There is an expectation from the Executive Committee to “final” grades posted in Canvas by January 25, 2021 to show the student has met the requirements of the course. The true, final grades will be posted at the end of the spring semester, May 12, 2021.

A qualtrics survey will be sent out and the student who enrolled in a pre-req in the winter session, will provide the grade that is posted in Canvas. This will put the onus on the student to show they met the requirement for the spring course. If the student does not provide this information or do not meet the pre-req requirement, then they will be dropped from the course by a PX drop.

The FAQ site will be going live tomorrow morning, October 15, 2020.

Terri will share these updates with Diane.

### NEW BUSINESS

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<td><strong>2A. Drops and Drop Limits and Repeat Credits</strong></td>
<td>Jennifer shared responses she received from her contacts from the AAU and Big 12 listservs with Terri. These are available for review. We will begin the next meeting addressing this discussion topic.</td>
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- Progress/Probation/Warning Policy – differences for students with > 75 credits
- Maximum credit limit per term (18 cr – undergrad) – different limits for students on probation/warning?
  [https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext)
- Review policy for transfer deficiencies
- Drop limit – consistency across colleges, change from class count to credit count, should there be a drop limit?
  [https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#limitsholdstext)

Other Policies
- Academic Integrity – online courses/exams
- Academic Renewal
  - To be eligible ‘Students must not have graduated from Iowa State University’
  - Question – are students eligible in they transferred to another university, earned a degree and want to return to ISU?
    [https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#reinstatementrenewaltext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/registration/#reinstatementrenewaltext)
- Designated repeats – change from credit count to class count, limit number of times a course can be repeated, graded to Pass/Not Pass?
  [https://catalog.iastate.edu/academiclife/gradingsystem/#gradepoliciestext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/academiclife/gradingsystem/#gradepoliciestext)
- Posthumous degree
- Academic misconduct – sanction for students dropping courses who have been accused of academic misconduct
  [https://catalog.iastate.edu/academic_conduct/#academicdishonestytext](https://catalog.iastate.edu/academic_conduct/#academicdishonestytext)

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