

Curricular Affairs Committee

Meeting Agenda

Monday, October 3, 2016

1-2 pm, eLearning Conference Room

1. Approval/Amendment of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a.
3. Old Business
 - a. Program deletion and suspension policy
 - i. AdComm Discussion
 - b. Updated language for Athletics (motion attached)
4. New Business
 - a. GERC Attributes
 - i. <https://gerc.community.uaf.edu/integration-2/attributes-2/>
 - b. Student Code of Conduct (discussion/text below)
 - i. Policy is vague.
 - ii. Should there be more specific or suggested language RE major vs. minor violations?
 - iii. Should we ask the dean of students to provide additional information and details and the 'joint statement...'?

"Students' Rights and Responsibilities

The university subscribes to principles of due process and fair hearings as specified in the "Joint Statement on Rights and Freedoms of Students." This document can be found at <http://www.uaf.edu/deanofstudents/>. You are encouraged to read it carefully.

Most students adjust easily to the privileges and responsibilities of university citizenship. The university attempts to provide counsel for those who find the adjustment more difficult. UAF may terminate enrollment or take other necessary and appropriate action in cases where a student is unable or unwilling to assume the social responsibilities of citizenship in the university community.

Student Code of Conduct

UAF students are subject to the Student Code of Conduct. In accordance with board of regents policy 09.02.01, UAF will maintain an academic environment in which freedom to teach, conduct research, learn and administer the university is protected. Students will benefit from this environment by accepting responsibility for their role in the academic community. The principles of the student code are designed to encourage communication, foster academic integrity and defend freedoms of inquiry, discussion and expression across the university community.

UAF requires students to conduct themselves honestly and responsibly, and to respect the rights of others. Conduct that unreasonably interferes with the learning environment or violates the rights of others is prohibited. Students and student organizations are responsible for ensuring that they and their guests comply with the code while on property owned or controlled by the university or at activities authorized by the university.

The university may initiate disciplinary action and impose disciplinary sanctions against any student or student organization found responsible for committing, attempting to commit or intentionally assisting in the commission of any of the following prohibited forms of conduct:

- cheating, plagiarism or other forms of academic dishonesty
- forgery, falsification, alteration or misuse of documents, funds or property
- damage or destruction of property
- theft of property or services
- harassment
- endangerment, assault or infliction of physical harm
- disruptive or obstructive actions
- misuse of firearms, explosives, weapons, dangerous devices or dangerous chemicals
- failure to comply with university directives
- misuse of alcohol or other intoxicants or drugs
- violation of published university policies, regulations, rules or procedures
- any other actions that result in unreasonable interference with the learning environment or the rights of others.

This list is not intended to define prohibited conduct in exhaustive terms, but rather offers examples as guidelines for acceptable and unacceptable behavior.

Honesty is a primary responsibility of yours and every other UAF student. The following are common guidelines regarding academic integrity:

Students will not collaborate on any quizzes, in-class exams or take-home exams that contribute to their grade in a course unless the course instructor grants permission. Only those materials permitted by the instructor may be used to assist in quizzes and examinations.

Students will not represent the work of others as their own. Students will attribute the source of information not original with themselves (direct quotes or paraphrases) in compositions, theses and other reports.

No work submitted for one course may be submitted for credit in another course without the explicit approval of both instructors.

Alleged violations of the Code of Conduct will be reviewed in accordance with procedures specified in regents policy, university regulations and UAF rules and procedures. For additional information and details about the Student Code of Conduct, please visit <http://www.uaf.edu/deanofstudents/>.

No additional details are actually given.

Orion,

When the academic probation policy was changed, it appears that the good standing policy was not changed to correspond...here is the text of the two policies, copied from the 16-17 catalog:

Good Standing

Undergraduate students — You are in good standing if your cumulative GPA and most recent semester GPA are 2.0 or better.

Probation

Undergraduate students — Students whose semester and cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 after any semester, including the summer session, will be put on academic probation. Students on probation may not enroll in more than 13 credits a semester unless an exception is granted by the appropriate dean. Probation may include additional conditions as determined by the dean of the college or school in which the student's major is located. Students on probation will be referred for developmental advising/education and/or to an advising or support counseling center. The student should work with an academic advisor to prepare an academic plan for achieving a higher GPA. Removal from probation requires the student's cumulative and semester GPAs to be at least 2.0.

As it stands this would leave students with a semester GPA below 2.0 but a cum GPA above 2.0 in a gray area; they would not be on probation but they would not be in good standing, either.

To make the policies consistent, I think the good standing policy should be:

Good Standing

Undergraduate students — You are in good standing if your cumulative GPA is 2.0 or better.