

Synopsis of Changes to University Senate Rules
(September 2021 – August 2022)

Throughout

- Added language to describe the required governance model and processes associated with courses that are not homed within an academic department or college
- Corrected outdated references to “Honors Program”
- Established new standard whereby terms defined in Section 9 (Glossary of Terms) are underlined throughout the text
- Various miscellaneous updates (style, pronouns, standardizing terms, updating internal references, etc.)

Section 1: The University Senate

- Change to 1.4.3.3 (“Senate UK Core Education Committee (SUKCEC)”) – modified charge and added an ex officio member

Section 2: Rules Relating to the Academic University Calendar

- Change to 2.1.3 (“Academic Holidays”) – revised to specify that the Saturday following Thanksgiving is an academic holiday

Section 3: Programs, Courses, and Curriculum Procedures

- New 3.2.1 (“Regular and Substantive Interactions”) – added language documenting SACSCOC requirement
- Change to 3.2.2.3.3 (“Course Numbering System”) – added prefix and number used to identify students enrolled through a consortium agreement

Section 4: Rules Relating to Admission to the University

- Change to 4.2.1.3.1 (“Rules Governing Admission of Non-Degree-Seeking Students”) – added language related to specific program
- Change to 4.2.1.3.1.3 (“Other Non-Degree Students’) – added language related to specific program

Section 5: Rules Relating to Attending the University

- Change to 5.2.5.2.1 (“Excused Absences,” “Acceptable Excused”) – clarified that quarantining is an excused absence and added section on unscheduled University closings
- Change to 5.2.5.6 (“Prep Week”) – significantly reorganized language into individual sections
- Change to 5.2.5.7.4.2 (“Final Examinations,” “Conflicts Affecting Students”) – updated terminology related to edits in Section 8
- Change to 5.2.5.8 (“Final Examinations,” “Final Examinations Scheduled for the Same Time”) – updated terminology related to edits in Section 8

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Section 5, continued

- Change to 5.3.2.1 (“Repeat Option”) – removed requirement for student to be enrolled
- Change to 5.5.2 (“Graduation and Commencement Honors”) – reorganized language into individual sections and added language for professional program honors

Section 6: Student Academic Affairs

- New 6.1.1 (“Regular and Substantive Interaction”) – described SACSCOC’s regular and substantive interaction policy

Section 8: Rules Relating to Printed Schedule of Classes and Bulletin

- Change to 8.1 (“Changes in the Printed Schedule”) – updated terminology
- Change to 8.2 (“Catalog and Graduate Bulletin”) – updated terminology

Section 9: Glossary of Terms

- Reordered (alphabetized) terms
- New 9.5 (“Administrative Regulations (AR)”) – newly added
- New 9.8 (“Excused Absence”) – added existing definition
- New 9.15 (“Governing Regulations (GRs)”) – newly added
- New 9.17 (“Online Program Delivery”) – added new definition
- New 9.18 (“Prep Week”) – added existing definition
- New 9.21 (“Reading Days”) – added existing definition
- New 9.23 (“Regular and Substantive Interaction”) – added new definition
- New 9.28 (“Unscheduled Closing”) – added new definition

Section 10: Admissions Requirements for Particular Programs

- Change to 10.3.1.4 (“Undergraduate Programs,” “School of Human Environmental Sciences”) – updated sections to reflect the area’s recent reorganization