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Senate Council

Distance Learning Courses

Background:

Currently, all requests for distance learning (DL) delivery go from the academic council(s) directly to the Chair. The rationale for this was to avoid placing DL requests on web transmittals when DL delivery was the only requested change. This was sufficient when there were a relatively small number of such requests for existing, unchanged courses.

The numbers of major course change proposals and new course proposals that also include DL delivery requests are growing.

The current approval process is for the Chair to sign off on DL requests. This is becoming somewhat convoluted when the course is also placed on a web transmittal, where all aspects of the course proposal are approved, except for the DL delivery request, which goes to the Chair.

Recommendation: that the SC move that approval of a course proposal via a web transmittal also constitutes approval of any associated request for DL delivery for said course.