

Senate Council Meeting
May 11, 2009

Rule Waiver Request - RWA Past "Two-Year Window"

Student BB-32 submitted a request for waiver of the two-year rule to the Office of the Senate Council on May 7, 2009. The student states that the most important reason for not seeking a retroactive withdrawal for the Fall 2006 semester within two years was that the student just one year ago recognized his/her substance abuse as a problem and sought help for it. Until that time the student states that he/she made many excuses for poor academic performance, always thinking that the next semester would be better. *"...this error in thinking and denial was a symptom of my disease."* The student was also unaware through much of that time that the retroactive withdraw was an option.

Recommendation: that the Senate Council waive Senate Rule 5.1.8.5.A.2 ("two-year window") for student BB-32, as long as the case is heard by the SRWAC by June 1, 2009.