
Senate Recommendation to the Provost

Originating Body: Faculty Senate

Originator: Adam H. Wood, President, FS

Date Submitted: 3-25-2-20

Requested Effective Date: Immediately

Recommendation: Emergency Pass/No Pass Option

Attached: Passed motion attached

Date Approved by the Faculty Senate: 3-24-2020



3/25/20

President, Faculty Senate

Date

Action Taken by Provost

Date: 3/27/20

XX **Recommendation Accepted**

 Recommendation Not Accepted

 Recommendation returned to the Originating Body for further review (see attached)

**** NOTE:** The Provost's assumes the P/F in the Justification is P/NP

Disposition for Approved Recommendation:

XX **President**

XX **VP Student Affairs**

XX **Faculty Senate President**

 VP Finance

XX **Consortium Chair**

XX **School Deans**

 Webmaster

 Graduate Council

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XX **Provost Council**

XX **Registrar**



3/27/20

Provost

Date

SALISBURY UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE MOTION

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SUBJECT: Emergency Pass/Fail Option

SENATOR PROPOSING MOTION: Kathleen M. Shannon

SENATOR SECONDING MOTION: Randall E. Cone

MOTION: The FS recommends that under the present emergency COVID-19 protocol, Undergraduate students be allowed up until the deadline for receiving a W grade, to switch any or all of their classes to a Pass/NP option, without penalty. That is, these courses should not count towards any maximum number of courses taken P/F. Also, a P in one of these courses should count as a "C or better" in all SU policies which require such. That includes, but may not be limited to, general education graduation requirements, honors requirements and major requirements. As far as implementation goes, they should also count toward prerequisites but students should be advised to discuss their preparation for subsequent courses with the professor in the prerequisite course and the professor in the subsequent course before continuing registration in the subsequent course past the end of add/drop. Before declaring P/NP options for their courses, it is strongly suggested that students meet with their academic advisors to discuss the implications of such changes.

Amendments made at the meeting:

JUSTIFICATION:

The current situation is severely stressful for faculty students and staff. This measure might mitigate a little of that stress for faculty and students. We should encourage students to take advantage of pass/fail and ensure that by doing so they do not jeopardize their graduation.

ANTICIPATED IMPACT:

Negative: Standards would be lowered temporarily for some students.

Positive: We should do everything we can do to alleviate any stress possible caused by the current situation. Also, although it is clearly the right thing to do in these circumstances, there is nothing fair about forcing students who registered for face-to-face experiences to complete them online. Giving them this option would be a move in the direction of fairness.

Is this a recommendation to the Provost? Yes X No

Is this a recommendation to someone else? No X Yes, to

VOTE: Number of Senators Present: Quorum Votes in Favor: Unanimous
Motion Passes or Fails: Passes
