Agenda

Welcome and call to order

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Withdrawal Deadline Policy

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Enrollment
Dropping classes: Full term fall and spring classes
For full term fall and spring classes, undergraduate students may drop classes, with no notation on the academic record, through the seventh calendar day of the term. From the eighth calendar day of the term until the final day of class, students may drop full term fall and spring classes and receive the notation of W (Withdrawn) on the academic record. After the final day of class, students may not drop full term fall, winter mini term (WMT), and spring and summer classes. A student may completely withdraw from a fall, winter mini term (WMT), spring, or summer term, subject to regulations listed in the catalog section Total Withdrawal from the University.

Dropping classes: Single session fall, and spring, and summer classes
For single session fall, and spring, and summer classes, undergraduate students may drop classes, with no notation on the academic record, through the sixth calendar day of the session. From the seventh calendar day of the session until the final 38th calendar day of the session, students may drop single session fall, and spring, and summer classes and receive the notation of W (Withdrawn) on the academic record. After the final 38th calendar day of the session, students may not drop single session fall and spring classes.

Proposal:
Academic Dismissal Policy

Academic Policies and Procedures
Academic Standing
Academic Dismissal
(Paragraph 1)
Academic dismissal is the end result of a pattern of receiving grades that are below the university's standards for good academic standing (GPA of 2.0 or better). A student on academic probation shall be academically dismissed from the University at the close of any fall or spring semester in which his/her semester and cumulative GPA is less than a 2.0.

Rationale: The Appeals Committee would like to recommend two changes to academic policies related to academic dismissals and the semester withdrawal deadline. First, we recommend revising the academic dismissal policy wherein dismissing students during summer term is discontinued. Second, we recommend revising the course withdrawal deadline policy such that students are allowed to withdrawal from a course up to the last day of that class instead of the 84th day.

A student on academic probation shall be academically dismissed from the University at the close of any fall or spring semester in which his/her semester and cumulative GPA is less than a 2.0. This sentence in the policy would cut out students getting academically dismissed at the end of summer or either of the mini term sessions. Peer aspirational institutions do not (by and large) dismiss students in the summer or mini terms. There’s very little turnaround time for students dismissed in the summer or mini terms to have had a dismissal appeal approved and get a full schedule for the upcoming term. Dismissing students in these academic terms is not student friendly and not in line with our peer aspirational institutions.