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Introduced by: Undergraduate Academic Council

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Clarification of the Policy for Student-elected S/U Grading

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That the current bulletin wording regarding student-elected S/U grading be revised as indicated.
2. That the changes be approved for immediate implementation.
3. That this bill be forwarded to the President for approval.

For students matriculated in 1991 or later, who graduate between May 1995 and December 2013, the student is limited to two courses of "S" by selection in courses below the 300-level. These two courses of S may be in addition to all S grades received in department or school-designated S/U graded sections of courses. For students matriculated in the fall of 2010 or thereafter or graduating May 2014 or thereafter, the student is limited to receiving S/U optional grades only twice in their undergraduate academic career. Only courses below the 300 level may be S/U opted. These two courses of S/U may be in addition to all S/U grades received in department or school-designated S/U graded sections of courses.

Rationale:

Some students who received U grades in courses for which they elected S/U grading retook those courses, sometimes more than once, or took other courses, until they were able to earn 6 credits with grades of S. The new wording limits students to 6 credits, whether or not they pass the courses they take.