

Longwood University Faculty Senate
PROPOSAL/POLICY COVER SHEET

This cover sheet is intended to provide information to members of the Faculty Senate about a new proposal/policy or about revisions to an existing proposal/policy. **If you are proposing a new policy, then attach the text of the policy to this form. If you are proposing a change to an existing policy, then attach the text of the current policy with any deleted language marked by a strikethrough and with new language marked by an underline. If you are deleting a policy, then attach the text of the policy to be deleted.**

COMMITTEE(S) that authored or sponsored this proposal: Office of the Registrar

TOPIC: Midterm Grading for ROTC Cadets

BACKGROUND: Grade estimates are not required for all students attending Longwood. However, there are certain groups for whom it is pertinent to attain this information. Grade-estimates are beneficial to students to help them assess where they stand and how they can improve.

SUMMARY OF NEW POLICY OR PROPOSED CHANGES OR DELETIONS TO AN EXISTING POLICY The current policy requires midterm grade estimates for first-year students, upperclass students making a "D" or "F", and students who are not making satisfactory academic progress. We would like to add ROTC students to this list to have all midterm grades submitted.

RATIONALE FOR THE POLICY OR PROPOSED CHANGES: Students participating in our ROTC program participate in a partnership with the University of Richmond ROTC Spider Battalion. They are required to meet academic and GPA requirements in order to receive scholarships. They are also limited in funding for courses that must be repeated. LTC Kim Elniff of the University of Richmond who oversees the battalion has requested to be informed of student progress each semester. ROTC Cadets will be required to sign a release for LTC Elniff to view both midterm and final grades. As such they have requested that professors submit midterm grades for all ROTC Cadets.

Date submitted to Senate Executive Committee for Consideration: Apr 2, 2015

Action(s) Taken: Refer to April 9 Faculty Senate Meeting

Date first read at Faculty Senate: April 9, 2015

Action(s) Taken: Verbal Vote

Date final action taken by Faculty Senate: April 9, 2015

Final action(s) Taken: Approved

Grade Estimates

During the regular session, grade estimates are available to all first-year students, ROTC Cadets, upperclass students making a “D” or “F”, and students who are not making satisfactory academic progress (all students with a cumulative GPA less than 2.0). Estimate grades are due to the Office of the Registrar by noon on Monday of the seventh week of regularly scheduled classes and are available to students and advisors in myLongwood as soon as they are posted. Estimates are not recorded as part of the student’s permanent academic record. They are, however, an important indicator of academic risk to students. This early warning should give the student time to improve academic performance where needed.