

Student Affairs Committee Report to Faculty Senate

March 13, 2020

Unsatisfactory Academic Progress (UAP) Loophole in Summer

1. Admissions & Records brought this issue to the committee's awareness.
2. Background on Policies
 - UHCC policy 5.203 – students can graduate with a degree if they receive a Program GPA of 2.0 or higher
 - LeeCC UAP Policy – students with a Cum GPA below a 2.0 are placed on UAP. Students on UAP are not eligible to graduate. UAP is only calculated during the fall and spring terms.
3. Reason for excluding summer from UAP calculation
 - the terms that students need to sit out following a suspension or dismissal should be fall and spring
 - no other campus is doing UAP in the summer since it's an optional term.
4. Summer UAP Loophole Scenarios
 - **Scenario #1:** student is in good standing but then falls below a 2.0 cumulative GPA in the summer. He/she does not go on UAP and can still potentially graduate based on the courses used for program/degree policy
 - **Scenario #2:** student is on UAP as of a spring semester who then takes classes in summer that improves cum GAP but doesn't have the opportunity to get off UAP status in order to graduate.
5. Proposed Solution: Create a LeeCC Graduation Policy that states a cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required to graduate.
 - This would block student in scenario #1 from graduating
 - Add a statement in policy: "Students eligible for graduation in the summer, if upon recalculation of GPA they achieve a 2.0 cum or higher, will be eligible for graduation". This would help student in scenario #2.

Changes to Committee By-Laws

1. The committee is exploring revising the wording of its by-laws to require the committee to involve student service unit heads and relevant student service staff when examining policies pertinent to their offices. The committee will share its revisions with the Vice Chair to incorporate in overall proposed spring 2020 changes to by-laws.

Organization of Student Service Policies

1. The committee will work this semester on taking an inventory of all student service policies and practices listed in the catalog, listed on the website and that are common practice in within the units.
2. Practices identified in need of formalization will be put through the revised Policy of Policy Review process.