

Educational Policies Committee Meeting  
February 26, 2019

- In attendance:

Robert Smith  
Sharon Gravett  
Ryan Hogan  
Kelly Davidson  
Jie Fowler  
Lisa Long  
Christy Croft  
Chunlei Liu  
Ken Smith  
Samantha Paul  
Krupesh Patel  
Matthew Kolokowski

- 2:00 p.m. Kelly called the meeting to order and said that some people were not able to come at last minute. This included Stanley Jones who sent an email that said the draft of the policy looked good.
- Kelly also shared the notes from the Faculty Senate meeting and asked the committee to consider those notes when reviewing the policy.
- Ken Smith suggested that there be a line added about the student not being permitted to take the course more than 3 times.
- Jie Fowler suggested putting in language about how financial aid is calculated.
- Bob Smith suggested adding some language about the VSU GPA does not impact federal financial aid.
- Lisa Long asked if this new policy would impact secondary Admission programs (such as Nursing or Education). Bob Smith said this would not have an effect on those programs since they have standards in place.
- Kelly asked the committee if they agreed with Dean LaPlant's suggestion that the sentence "In the case of courses with variable course titles, the repeated course must have the exact same title as the original course" could be changed to "The repeated course must have the exact same title as the original course."
- She then asked if the committee wanted to stand with the clause on highest grade and everyone agreed.
- There were discussions from the committee about adding language to the policy to include meeting with an advisor to discuss this process.
- Bob suggested we look at when we say this policy takes effect. There were discussions on setting an expiration on how far a student can go back in time and if this would change history. Ryan Hogan said since the policy would start for Spring 2019 classes it would not change history but it would only affect the student's GPA moving forward.
- In a conversation after the meeting with Stanley Jones, Ryan asked Stanley if a Spring 2019 date would work best for his department and he agreed. This way history would not change; if an effective date of Fall 2018 was implemented, that would mean students put on suspension/probation would no longer be valid.

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- Kelly gave next steps which were she would get the updated policy sent out to the committee by end of business and asked everyone to respond by Friday.
- Kelly adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.