Resolution 02-06 Concentrated Study Period Policy

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Revised Version

Whereas the current catalog statement about the concentrated study period needs to be clearer and more precise,

Therefore, the Faculty Senate recommends that the following policy statement be inserted in the catalog to replace the one that now appears in the catalog under the title "Concentrated Study Days:"

"The five-day period during the fall and spring semesters (Wednesday through Sunday) immediately proceeding the week of final examinations will be set aside as a concentrated study period to allow preparation for final exams. During this period:

(1) No extracurricular student activities, such as social and athletic events, will be held on- or off-campus.

(2) Graded required course work (including exams, quizzes, and homework) may count for a total of at most 10% of the student's grade in the course.

(3) Class projects that have been scheduled and placed on the syllabus within the first two weeks of the academic semester are exempt from the 10% limit. The assumption is that work on such a project will take place throughout the semester.

Laboratory courses are exempt from this policy. Any other exceptions must receive prior approval from the Office of Academic Affairs. Students should report any violation of this policy to the Office of Academic Affairs."

Present catalog description:

Concentrated Study Days

The five-day period during the fall and spring semesters (Wednesday through Sunday) immediately preceding the week of final examinations will be set aside as a concentrated study period. During this time, no extracurricular student activities, such as social and athletic events, will be held on- or off-campus. There should be no required major examinations in academic courses, other than those considered laboratory courses. Any exceptions to this policy must receive prior approval from the Office of Academic Affairs.