

Summary of New Policy Changes Relative to Academic Regulations for the 2008-2010 Undergraduate Bulletin (pages 73-92)

1. Grade Reports (page 75) – adds a statement about “progress reports.” This is the new terminology we are using for ‘mid-term grades.’
2. Pre-registration (page 76) – Students can register for no more than 16 credit hours during the first week of pre-registration. Registration for additional credit hours will be allowed for the remainder of the registration period. **This policy change went into effect for spring semester 2008 as previously announced by Terry McLeod.**
3. Course loads (page 76) - A student may take a maximum of 16 semester hours cumulative through all summer sessions.
4. Second Baccalaureate Degree (page 77)- Students who have an earned baccalaureate degree and wish to pursue a second baccalaureate degree must complete a minimum of 30 additional hours in residence and fulfill all requirements for the second major and degree. **This is not a new policy but it was not previously stated in the bulletin.**
5. Academic Standing Policy (page 78) – The GPA for good academic standing was changed to 2.0 for all undergraduate students. Students whose GPA level falls below a 2.0 who have completed less than 30 hours will be placed on academic warning. Students place on academic warning will be provided with information about academic resources available for assistance. Students who have completed 30 hours or more will be placed on academic probation for one semester. Following the semester of probation, students whose GPA levels continue below 2.0 will be academically dismissed.
6. Appeal Procedure (page 78) – describes the new appeal procedure for students relative to the “Academic Standing Policy” described above.
7. Class Attendance (page 79) – wording in the policy has been added to clarify the expectations. **This policy is in effect for spring semester 2008 as was previously announced by Terry McLeod.**
8. Academic Review Day (page 80) – new policy added to clarify purpose of review day and faculty responsibilities relative to Academic Review Day.
9. Credit by Examination (page 83) – clarifies the limit to IB credit (24 hours) and clarifies that a student who is currently enrolled in a course or has earned a grade other than a W in the course may not earn CLEP or DANTES credit for the course.
10. Information Literacy (page 86) – section added to the bulletin to describe IL and list the IL outcomes.
11. Regents’ Skills Program (page 89) – policy changed to require students to register for the Regents Test during their first semester at NGCSU and to continue to register each term until both portions are satisfied (except Learning Support students who can register for the test during the first semester that they exit LS). Students with 45 attempted hours who have not exempted the requirements will be administratively enrolled in the Regents’ Skills courses. The policy also clarifies how a student may exempt the Regents’ Skills Tests. Course grades in ENGL 1101 can no longer be used as part of the exemption.