

A photograph of a modern building with a grey stone facade. The letters 'NKU' are mounted on the wall, with a yellow flame icon above the 'U'.

FACULTY SENATE

**2015-2016
POLICY CHANGES**

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2015-2016 Academic Structure Changes

BEFORE

- University Programs
- Accounting, Finance, Business Law
- Marketing, Econ, Sports Business
- Construction Management (sub dept)
 - Reports to Mkt, Sports Bus, Construction Mgt
- Career Services in Student Affairs
- ELOC reports to Management Dept.
- Dept. of Physics and Geology

AFTER

- Undergraduate Academic Affairs
- Accounting & Business Law
- Economics and Finance
- Mkt, Sports Bus, Construction Mgt.
 - Sub Dept Construction Mgt
- Career Services in Enrollment Mgt.
- ELOC reports to COB
- Dept. of Physics, Geology & Engineering Technology

NEW

- School of the Arts
 - Music
 - Theatre & Dance
 - Visual Arts
- Master of Accountancy
 - Reports to COB



2015-2016 Student Absence Due to Military Service

BEFORE

- If a student is called up for active duty
 - During the first 12 weeks of the semester, a complete withdrawal and full refund is provided
 - During weeks 13 or 14, the student can either earn a semester “to date” grade or receive a W with a full refund
 - During weeks 15 or 16, the student will receive the semester “to date” grade earned in each course(s)

AFTER

- If a student is called up for active duty, the current policy has been amended to accommodate a short-term absence (up to two weeks)
 - During a short-term absence (up to two weeks) a complete withdrawal and full refund is provided
 - Or work with instructor to continue academic engagement in each course(s)

The amended short-term leave of absence policy ensures compliance with federal regulations as outlined in the Principles of Excellence.



2015-2016 I grade to F grade Policy Changes

BEFORE

- Converting I grades to F grades
 - An I grade can be provided as an extension for a student to complete semester requirements
 - Faculty can request that the I grade be changed to an I+ grade via the change of grade process to extend the I grade
 - Any I grade that was being extended appeared on the transcript as an I+
 - The I+ grade could be extended beyond two semesters if approved by faculty and dean

AFTER

- Converting I grades to F grades
 - An I grade can be provided as an extension for a student to complete semester requirements
 - Faculty can no longer request that the I grade be changed to an I+ grade via the change of grade process to extend the I grade
 - No longer should an I+ grade appear on the transcript
 - All I grades will be converted to an F grade at the end of the next semester in which the I grade was originally provided. Any extension for the I grade must be approved by the dean in order for the I grade to extend another term
 - Extension of the I grade should not go beyond two terms of the original semester unless there is an unforeseen family or medical circumstance

2015-2016 Placement Test Re-Test Policy

BEFORE

- Students were only allowed one attempt at placement test(s)
- Re-tests were only granted if original test date was greater than 4 years prior
- There was no official policy on placement test re-takes

AFTER

Students may re-take placement tests, but the requests must follow these parameters:

- 30 days must pass in-between re-takes
- Students must pay fee for all re-takes
- Students may only re-take placement test (s) once
- Students' placement will be determined by highest placement among tests taken
- Students may not re-test after they have already been enrolled in re-test subject area after the last day to add a course for the current semester