MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Hudelson, Executive Secretary
    Faculty Senate
FROM: Becky Bitter, Registrar’s Office
FOR: Academic Affairs Committee
DATE: September 27, 2021
SUBJECT: Proposal to Revise Rule 25

At its meeting on September 21, 2021, AAC approved a revision to Rule 25 as proposed by the Registrar’s Office. The revision updates the terminology in the rule to match what students see in myWSU. The revision also adds additional information about how the academic levels function.

Current:

25. CLASS STANDING
Freshman Standing — below 30 semester hours; Sophomore Standing—30 to 59 1/2 hours; Junior Standing—60 to 89 1/2 hours; Senior Standing—90 and above hours.

Proposed:

25. ACADEMIC LEVEL (CLASS STANDING) FOR UNDERGRADUATES
An undergraduate student’s academic level (or class standing) is based on the number of credits earned. This level is used to meet requirements for enrollment, financial aid and scholarships, housing, etc. A student’s academic level includes awarded transfer credit.

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<th>Total Credits Earned</th>
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An undergraduate student with a prior bachelor’s degree is classified as a post-baccalaureate student regardless of the number of credits earned. Post-baccalaureate students are not considered graduate students.

At this time, Faculty Senate review and approval is recommended, to be effective fall 2022.