

Office of the Registrar

TO: Faculty Senate

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SUBJECT: Proposal for New Rule 110, Undergraduate University Requirements for Graduation

At its meeting on February 19, 2014, AAC approved the following proposal to establish new rule 110.

For many years, the *WSU Catalog* has included a section in the Summary of Academic Policy chapter which describes the catalog limitations and time restrictions for University and general education requirements. This section now needs to be updated to reflect current practices as well as to reflect proposed changes that will more precisely describe how University and general education requirements will apply to different types of students. In addition, this policy should be codified in the academic regulations which contain other rules governing graduation requirements for undergraduate.

The rule is being proposed by the Provost's Office, the Office for Undergraduate Education, and the graduations and degree audit area in the Registrar's Office and has support from the Center for Advising and Career Development.

Rule 110. Undergraduate University Requirements for Graduation

The University requirements for graduation must be satisfied prior to the awarding of an undergraduate degree. Students meet the University requirements for graduation, including general education requirements, as follows:

- a) New students are held to the University requirements that are published in the catalog with the effective date that corresponds to their Admission term.
- b) Former students who are readmitted to WSU are held to the University requirements that are published in the catalog at the time they are readmitted and reflect their most current admission term.
- c) Students who apply to graduate who are not currently enrolled will be held to the University requirements as follows:
 - i. Students applying to graduate through Summer 2016 will be held to the General Education Requirements listed in the 2009 WSU Catalog.
 - ii. Students applying to graduate beginning Fall 2016 will be held to the University Core Requirements listed in the 2012 WSU Catalog.

Students who were enrolled at WSU prior to Fall 2012 may petition to fulfill the University requirements based on an earlier set of requirements. All students may request to substitute their University and general education requirements for the most current set of those requirements.

We propose that this rule be effective for Fall 2014. Thank you for your review of this proposal.