

MEMORANDUM

TO: Sheila Converse, Executive Secretary

Faculty Senate

FROM: Becky Bitter, Registrar's Office

FOR: Academic Affairs Committee

DATE: 28 September 2016

SUBJECT: Proposal to Revise Rule 88, Midterm Grade Submittal

At its meeting on September 27, 2016, AAC approved the following proposal to revise Rule 88, Midterm Grade Submittal. The current wording for midterm grade submittal does not take into account that a small number of courses run on a shorter calendar than the full 16-week semester. Typically, these courses run seven weeks, but occasionally there are courses that run on a much shorter schedule. While students do need feedback about how they are doing in their courses, sometimes it is not be practical in a shorter course for the instructor to give midterms and to submit midterm grades.

AAC agreed that the rule should be clarified to say that only classes spanning the full 16-week semester requirement midterm grades.

88. MIDTERM GRADE SUBMITTAL.

Midterm grades will be submitted for students enrolled in undergraduate courses that span the entire regular fall and spring 16-week semester by 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday of the eighth week-of the fall and spring semesters.

The assessment should not be interpreted as a formal grade, but rather as an indication of the student's progress to date.

Midterm grades are advisory and do not appear on the student's permanent record, the WSU transcript.

At this time, Faculty Senate review and approval is recommended, to be effective fall 2017.