Resolution in Support of a Cornell University Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students

Background

Proposal in Support of a Resolution to Adopt a Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students

Resolution

Whereas currently, Cornell colleges/schools have different systems for awarding transfer credits;

Whereas the current disjointed approaches produce hardships and inequities for transfer students, including substantial delays in transfer credit decisions and notifications and inconsistent transfer credit evaluations;

Whereas the current transfer credit evaluation processes are cumbersome and involve time-consuming, repetitive processes for staff and faculty;

Whereas the **Proposal in Support of a Resolution to Adopt a Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students** explains in detail these hardships and inequities for transfer students and the laborious administrative processes for staff and faculty involved in transfer credit evaluations;

Whereas the **Proposal** also explains how the proposed **Cornell University Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students** would substantially mitigate, and in some dimensions eliminate, the significant failures of our present systems;

Whereas pursuant to the proposed *Cornell University Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students*, the university would (1) adopt university-wide standards and methods for assigning transfer credits, including standards for evaluating course equivalencies and calculating credits for quarter-term courses and (2) develop a university-wide database that contains transfer credit evaluations upon which colleges/schools and academic departments/majors would rely and provides a web-based public portal that allows students to promptly and easily determine their transfer credit awards at Cornell:

Whereas the Faculty Senate Educational Policy Committee (EPC) and other members of the Faculty Senate at its April 9 and May 7 meetings and in email correspondence recommended various revisions that were adopted and are reflected in a revised policy;

Be it therefore resolved that the university adopt the revised **Cornell University Transfer Credit Policy for Undergraduate Students**.

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