

CAEAS Meeting Minutes – October 20, 2021

Present: Victor Brown, Tanja Haxhoviq, Andrea Boyar, Abigail Mellen, Sheila Blachman, Giselle Barroso, Shirley Vitiello, Saaimah Kolya, Sandra Campeanu

The committee further discussed the memo and email that were sent out regarding new CUNY grading policies, effective Fall 2021. The following new policies are mandated by CUNY Central and the committee will present the full memo as an informational item at the next Senate meeting.

- Effective as of the Fall 2021 term, the WU grade will no longer have a punitive impact on a student's GPA. However, the WU grade will continue to have a punitive impact on a student's financial record. A WU grade will continue to be used to denote an "Unofficial Withdrawal."
- The last day to withdraw from a course during the Withdrawal Period (W Grade) has been extended to the last day of instruction for the term. For Fall, 2021, students will have until December 13th to withdraw from classes with a grade of W.
- Effective the Fall 2021 Term, an application for a change of grade, assigned by a member of the faculty, may be made at any time within one academic year from the end of the semester in which the course was taken. Grades cannot be changed once a student has graduated and their academic record is closed.

The committee also discussed an idea to put together a concise, clear summary of the various course modalities (in-person, hybrid, online) and attributes (e.g., hy-flex) that will exist, moving forward. Dr. Brown indicated that a committee is currently being formed, which will look at hy-flex best practices, so the CAEAS committee decided to wait until the new committee's work is complete before compiling such a summary.

Next meeting: November 18, 2021

Respectfully submitted,
S. Campeanu