

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF MID-TERM GRADES FOR ALL
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

1 WHEREAS, presently only freshmen receive electronic mid-
2 term grades and the rest of the student body is left without
3 this service; and

4 WHEREAS, the mechanism that professors must go through for
5 submitting mid-term grades is extremely user-friendly; and

6 WHEREAS, letting students know that they are not getting
7 the grade they want may motivate the student to work harder to
8 improve that grade; and

9 WHEREAS, the university is a self-proclaimed developmental
10 experience and we should not expect students to be fully
11 equipped with all the study skills necessary to be successful in
12 school; and

13 WHEREAS, in some cases, students do not know what their
14 grades are until the end of the class when the grading curve is
15 incorporated. If students knew that a 60% on a test was
16 actually a good score, they would be less likely to drop the
17 class; and

18 WHEREAS, receiving mid-term grades helps keep students
19 focused by promoting responsible grade management; and

20 WHEREAS, mid-term grades gives students an opportunity to
21 become a more active participant in the whole class experience;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, letting students know that they are doing well in
24 a class can be a very powerful motivating tool; and

25 WHEREAS, there is an increasing trend in higher education
26 toward development and helping the student and this same
27 philosophy should be maintained here at UW-Eau Claire;

28 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the UW-Eau Claire Student
29 Senate requests that UW-Eau Claire faculty now send/hand out
30 mid-term grades to all enrolled undergraduate students; and

31 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage President Raymond
32 French transmit copies of this resolution to Dr. Brian Levin-
33 Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Steven Tallant, Provost/Vice
34 Chancellor; Andrew Soll, Vice Chancellor, Business & Student
35 Services; Andrew Phillips, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor,
36 Academic Affairs; Dr. Kimberly Barrett, Associate Vice
37 Chancellor, Student Development & Diversity; Dr. Marty Wood,
38 Chair, University Senate; Members of the Academic Policies
39 Committee; and Jesse Dixon, Acting Associate Dean of Student
40 Development, Student Development & Diversity.

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