

RESOLUTION ON THE CR/NC DEADLINE
(#33-91/92-EP)

- WHEREAS, A faculty member has requested that the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University review its earlier decision to recommend the policy that students must declare Credit/No Credit (CR/NC) status in optional CR/NC courses by the fourth week of classes in any given semester; and
- WHEREAS, The twelfth week of classes would be the latest declaration date possible to allow Office of Admissions and Records at Humboldt State University to record this information on final rosters and grade sheets; and
- WHEREAS, The deadline for signing up for CR/NC at Humboldt State University recently has been extended from three weeks to four weeks; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Humboldt State University recommends to the Vice President for Academic Affairs that the deadline for students to declare CR/NC status in any optional CR/NC course be the end of the twelfth week of classes.

Vice President for Academic Affairs

October 28, 1992

TO: Dr. Michael Goodman, Chair
Academic Senate

FROM: Manuel A. Esteban *MAE*

SUBJECT: Credit/No Credit

As you know, even though the Academic Senate eventually voted in favor of extending the deadline for students to finalize their C/NC registration to the end of the twelve week, this was not a measure that had overwhelming support. Since the approval of this recommendation, I have received a number of calls from faculty and administrators urging me to keep the four-week deadline. In addition, Dean Hannigan has informed me that, by waiting twelve weeks to finalize C/NC registrations, students might miss the regulation which limits each student to only one optional C/NC course per term, thus creating significant problems for them, with only two weeks left in the semester.

I respect the position of those who regard C/NC as a grading option which should be extended to students for the longest possible time each semester in order to provide flexibility to move from the traditional "A" to "F" grading pattern to something less punitive. At the same time, it is not wise to effect a change that has the potential for problems of a different nature. I believe, therefore, that a good compromise is to extend the deadline to the eighth week, by which time, in most cases, students will have received midterm grades.

I have discussed this option with President McCrone and he has asked me to approve this change on his behalf.

In a related matter, President McCrone has also approved the Academic Senate's recommendation that the "one optional C/NC per term" limit be waived for participants in the Over-Sixty Program.

By copy of this memorandum, I ask Dean Hannigan to implement these changes in policy beginning with the 1993-94 academic year, given that it is already too late to effect these changes for Spring 1993.

c. President McCrone
Executive Committee
Council of Deans
Dennis Geyer