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TO: GRADUATE COORDINATORS

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SUBJ: Temporary Academic Accommodations for Graduate and Professional Students

I hope everyone is continuing to be well and staying safe!

The San Diego Divisional Representative Assembly approved a proposal from the Educational Policy Committee for limited exceptions to San Diego Divisional Senate Regulations 500. Grading Policy, 501. Adding and Dropping Courses and Withdrawals, and 505. Repetition of Courses. The Senate notice to all-academics was distributed:

<http://adminrecords.ucsd.edu/Notices/2021/2021-1-22-3.html>. Of particular interest to graduate and professional students:

- For Winter and Spring 2021 Quarters: A limited-term exception to SD Regulation 500.E.6 to extend the deadline to change grading option (Letter or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grades) from the beginning of the quarter (end of the fourth week, in practice) to the end of the tenth week of instruction for graduate students.
- For Winter and Spring 2021 Quarters: A limited-term exception to SD Regulation 505.B to allow students to repeat courses with the S/U grade option if previously taken for a letter grade and a D or F was awarded.
- Decisions about whether to accept Satisfactory (S) grades toward degree requirements remain at the discretion of the graduate program.
- The Undergraduate and Graduate Councils, as the committees charged with overseeing courses of instruction, authorized allowing departments and colleges to offer undergraduate and graduate courses approved with the grading option of "Letter Grade Only" on a P/NP or S/U basis. This is a limited-term exception for Winter and Spring 2021.

- The Graduate Council approved allowing departments and programs to accept the transfer of P grades earned by UC San Diego undergraduate students in Spring 2020 and AY2020-2021 to a UC San Diego Master's or PhD degree program.

In addition to the faculty receiving this information, the Registrar's Office sent out a communication to students.

As always, I am available to answer any questions you may have.

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