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March 28, 2018

Provost Maurie McInnis
The University of Texas at Austin
MAI 201
Campus Mail Code: G1000

Approved by Executive Vice President and Provost
Maurie McInnis on April 5, 2018

Dear Provost McInnis,

Enclosed for your consideration and action are proposed changes to the *Law School Catalog, 2018-2020*. The proposals are classified as being of *exclusive* interest to one college or school and were approved by the Faculty Council on a no-protest basis on March 27, 2018. The authority to grant final approval of this legislation resides with your office on behalf of the President.

- Proposed changes to the Withdrawal in the Academic Policies and Procedures Section (D 16310-16312)
- Proposed changes to the change to the policy concerning registration on the Pass/Fail basis. (D 16313-16315)
- Proposed change to the Classification of Students in the Admission Section (D 16316-16318)
- Proposed changes to the Advising in the Academic Policies and Procedures Section (D 16319-16321)

Please let me know if you have questions or if I can provide other information concerning these items.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan W. Friedman".

Alan W. Friedman, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council
The University of Texas at Austin
Arthur J. Thaman and Wilhelmina Doré Thaman Professor of English and Comparative Literature

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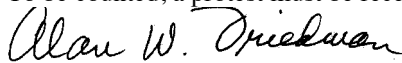
PROPOSAL TO CHANGE WITHDRAWAL IN THE ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SECTION IN THE *LAW SCHOOL CATALOG 2018-2020*

Dean Ward Farnsworth, in the School of Law, has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the following proposal to change Withdrawal in the Academic Policies and Procedures section in the *Law School Catalog, 2018-2020*. On September 17, 2017, Assistant Dean Elizabeth Bangs, Associate Dean Robert Chesney, and Dean Farnsworth approved the proposal. The Secretary has classified this proposal as legislation of exclusive interest to one college or school.

The Committee on Undergraduate Degree Program Review recommended approval of the proposal on March 7, 2018, and forwarded it to the Office of the General Faculty. The Faculty Council has the authority to approve this legislation on behalf of the General Faculty. The authority to grant final approval on this legislation resides with the Provost on behalf of the President.

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Date of communication:

Response:

- e. Does this proposal involve changes to the core curriculum or other basic education requirements (42-hour core, signature courses, flags)? If yes, explain:

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- f. Will this proposal change the number of hours required for degree completion?

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If yes, explain:

5. COLLEGE/SCHOOL APPROVAL PROCESS

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PROPOSED NEW CATALOG TEXT:

ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

WITHDRAWAL

The general rules governing withdrawal from the University are given in the *General Information Catalog*. In addition, the following rules apply to the School of Law.

A person who has earned fewer than nine semester hours of credit in the School of Law, has withdrawn, and then wishes to resume studies, must reapply for admission to the School of Law. The reapplication for admission is handled and evaluated as if it were an initial application. ~~[If the dean determines that the student withdrew for good cause, his or her eligibility for admission is judged by the standards in effect at the time of the previous admission.]~~

A student who has withdrawn from the School of Law after receiving nine or more semester hours of credit may ~~[return]~~ be readmitted to the school if he or she was in good standing at the time of withdrawal. Such a student is not subject to the admission selection process; however, he or she must submit an application for readmission to the School of Law.

A student who has withdrawn or taken a leave of absence from the School of Law while he or she was on scholastic probation must have permission of the Dean of the School of Law to return. Such a student must also submit an application for readmission to the University. A student readmitted under this rule will continue on scholastic probation. Refer to the School of Law website for details relating to the Probation and Dismissal policy.

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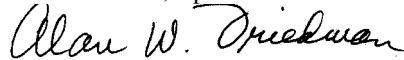
PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE POLICY CONCERNING REGISTRATION ON THE PASS/FAIL BASIS IN THE *LAW SCHOOL CATALOG 2018-2020*

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Registration on the ~~Pass~~ Credit/Fail Basis

In general, students receive letter grades in law courses. The dean may determine that ~~pass~~credit/fail grading is preferable for a course. Courses that will be offered only on the pass ~~pass~~credit/fail basis or for which ~~pass~~credit/fail grading is an option will be announced before registration. The School of Law may limit the number of credits that a student can accumulate on a ~~pass~~credit/fail basis.

A non-law graduate student who enrolls in a law school course offered for a letter grade may register on the ~~pass~~credit/fail if permitted to do so by his or her graduate adviser.

In designated classes only, a law student may change registration in a class from the ~~pass~~credit/fail basis to the letter-grade basis or from the letter-grade basis to the ~~pass~~credit/fail until the deadline given in the Academic Calendar.

Study Abroad courses are offered on the Credit/No Credit basis.

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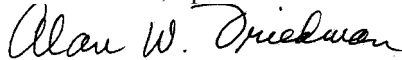
**PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS IN THE ADMISSION SECTION
IN THE *LAW SCHOOL CATALOG 2018-2020***

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ADMISSION

CLASSIFICATION OF STUDENTS

Regular students in the School of Law are classified as first-year, second-year, and third-year students. Students are classified as first-year students until they have earned [~~twenty-nine~~] thirty semester hours of credit in law; as second-year students until they have earned fifty-~~three~~ four semester hours in law; and as third-year students until they graduate. The terms "upper-level" and "advanced" are also used to refer to second- and third-year students and courses.

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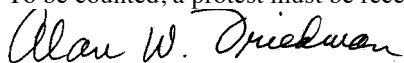
PROPOSAL TO CHANGE ACADEMIC ADVISING IN THE ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SECTION IN THE *LAW SCHOOL CATALOG 2018-2020*

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Catalogs > Undergraduate > College of Liberal Arts > Degrees and Programs >

ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ACADEMIC ADVISING

The University provides information and academic advice to students to assist them in making proper academic decisions. The dean of each college or school is responsible for providing an effective system of information dissemination and advising that is appropriate to the academic programs of that college or school. Each unit seeks to provide the most current and accurate information and advice possible. The student is responsible for seeking advice, for knowing and meeting the requirements of the degree program of interest, for enrolling in courses appropriate to that degree program, and for taking courses in the proper sequence to ensure orderly and timely progress toward the degree.

In the School of Law, the Director of Academic Advising serves as the primary academic adviser. Additional counseling is available in the Student Affairs Office.

Advising is required for students on scholastic probation; for students readmitted to the Law School after a leave of absence or withdrawal; or at the discretion of the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs.