Distance Education Proposal

New Language for Bulletin:

Undergraduate Distance Learning

Undergraduate distance courses follow the University tuition policy including registration and residency differentials. Non-degree seeking students are not eligible for financial aid. All traditional/campus students are eligible to take distance courses. All non-traditional/distance education students must apply and meet Auburn University's minimum admission requirements. Non-traditional/distant students will be permitted to register for distance courses only and a new application is required each academic year. Information on available courses may be obtained from Distance Learning & Testing Services, 118 Foy Hall, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36849, (334) 844-5103.

Will replace current language in bulletin:

Credit for Independent (Asynchronous) Distance Education. A student may earn a maximum of 25 percent of the total credits required for the baccalaureate degree by independent (asynchronous) distance education courses; however, only 12 hours of the final years work may be earned thus. An individual with fewer than two semesters in residence prior to the last academic year may earn only 10 hours by independent (asynchronous) distance education.

A student in residence may not enroll in an independent (asynchronous) distance education course if the course or a suitable substitute can be scheduled at Auburn University. The resident student may not exceed the maximum class hour load by adding an independent (asynchronous) distance education course. A student must have prior approval of his or her Auburn dean if the credits are to be applied toward an Auburn degree.

Upon registering for an independent (asynchronous) distance education course, Auburn students must determine whether they want to pursue the graded or extended option. If the student selects the graded option, the course work must be completed within one semester and all current university policies related to enrollment, grading, and withdrawal from courses apply. The student's grade appears on the transcript and is calculated into the GPA. In many cases selection of the extended option allows Auburn students nine months for course completion. Seniors must complete independent (asynchronous) distance education courses by midterm prior to graduation. Credit but no grade will be entered on the student's record for the extended option. Information on available courses may be obtained from Distance Learning and Outreach Technology, Petrie Annex, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36849, (334) 844-5103.