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SA1516-023: Resolution Proposing an Extended Drop Date for Fall and Spring Semester Classes

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WHEREAS; the period to drop a class without a “W” appearing on a student’s transcript during fall and spring semester at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse is five class days for the 2015-2016 school year;

WHEREAS; nine other UW schools (UW-Stout, UW Eau Claire, UW River Falls, UW Superior, UW Platteville, UW Whitewater, UW Oshkosh, UW Milwaukee, and UW Parkside) have a minimum of two full weeks to drop classes without a “W”;

WHEREAS; the time frame allotted at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse does not allow for students to adequately determine if the class is appropriate for them;

WHEREAS; it further disadvantages students in night classes whom have one class period before determining if the class is appropriate for them;


WHEREAS; the appearance of a “W,” or multiple “W’s” on a student’s transcript may seem alarming to potential employers or graduate schools;

WHEREAS; the University of Wisconsin La Crosse website states:

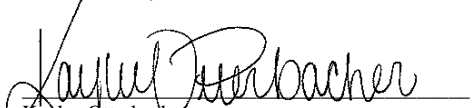
“...graduate schools evaluating your transcript for an application may have concerns if it looks like you withdrew from an excessive amount of classes.”

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Student Association of the University of Wisconsin La Crosse proposes that the drop period during fall and spring semesters be extended to two full weeks;

THEREFORE BE IN FINALLY RESOLVED; this resolution shall be forwarded onto the Provost, Betsy Morgan, and the Registrar, Christine Bakkum for consideration as well as in request of a statement on the proposed change of extending the drop date to two full weeks.


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