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UW SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES

Academic and Student Affairs Procedure and Guidance Approved

On September 11, Vice President Morrobel-Sosa approved revisions to SYS 102.A, New Academic Degree Programs, Changes to Academic Degree Programs, and Additional SYS 102 Items.

On September 18, Associate Vice President Vande Zande approved SYS 145/SYS 146 Guidance, Study Abroad Post-COVID-19.

Please see a description of the revised procedure and new guidelines document below.

SYS 102.A, New Academic Degree Programs, Changes to Academic Degree Programs, and Additional SYS 102 Items

This procedure is effective upon approval.

Summary of Procedure

- The Office of Academic Programs and Faculty Advancement recently updated the procedures associated with SYS 102, Policy on University of Wisconsin System Array Management: Program Planning, Delivery, Review, and Reporting. The procedures were formerly part of the full SYS 102 policy and have now been separated into a separate document. The procedural language in SYS 102 is being formally removed as part of the SYS 102 updates that will be part of the September SYS institutional distribution.
Procedures are in place for every academic program approval process or program change process. Of special note is the new procedure for program approval that involves a fast-track procedure created to move new programs to full authorization if they meet certain criteria. All universities are requested to use the administrative procedures in order to support and comply with the academic policies found in SYS 102.

Affected Areas on Campuses
- This policy is applicable to all UW System institutions and identifies requirements for all academic program approvals, program changes, and mission changes.

Campus Implementation
- These procedures are not anticipated to take any additional campus resources for compliance, as their requirements were already listed inSYS 102, Policy on University of Wisconsin System Array Management: Program Planning, Delivery, Review, and Reporting.

Additional Communication
- Additional communication will be provided with the distribution of the revisedSYS 102, Policy on University of Wisconsin System Array Management: Program Planning, Delivery, Review, and Reporting.

**SYS 145/SYS 146 Guidance, Study Abroad Post-COVID-19**

These guidelines are effective upon approval.

Summary of Guidelines
- These guidelines are designed to provide additional considerations to student and professionals for studying away while accounting for COVID-19.
- Topics of consideration for Students include:
  - Medicine and Health
  - The Environment
  - Program Hosts
- Topics of consideration for Professionals include:
  - Status of health care services in target country
  - Department of State travel warning level
  - COVID-19 precautions
  - Travel Routing
  - In-country restrictions
  - Program hosts
  - Program return

Affected Areas on Campus
- These guidelines apply to students and professionals considering study away, as well as the offices that facilitate such opportunities.

Campus Implementation
- UW System Office of Academic & Student Affairs is responsible for maintaining and updating this guideline. The UW System institutions are responsible for reviewing this guideline.
Additional Communication

- No additional communication is planned at this time.

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