Extension of Temporary Academic Policies for Spring 2021

For the spring and fall semesters of 2020, a number of temporary policies have been in place. The following have been extended for the spring 2021 semester:

- **Credit/D/Fail**: Normally, Credit/D/Fail is an option that students may choose by the sixth week of the semester, for one course in a full load of four, and for up to four courses total. In the fall, Emergency Credit/D/Fail allowed students to choose up to two courses in this grade mode, with a longer-than-usual window of time for choosing it. This same policy will be in place for Spring 2021. Dates can be found on the registrar’s calendar.
  
  - Students may choose one course Credit/D/F with a full load of four credits, and this will not count against their career total of four; this option will be open 2/8/2021 to 5/3/2021.
  - As is standard policy, students may not choose the Credit/D/Fail mode for first-year writing seminars, distribution and division requirements, and in most cases, major and minor requirements, though there are temporary adjustments in place for some major/minor requirements.
  - From week seven to eleven (3/31/2021 to 5/3/2021), all students carrying four credits or more who have already chosen to take one course Credit/D/Fail will be able to choose to take a second course Credit/D/Fail, and it will not count against the student’s career total of four Credit/D/Fail courses. Students will initiate this request via a form that must be approved by the instructor of the course, the student’s advisor, and the student’s dean.
  - Some departments have decided to allow some courses to be taken credit/d/fail and count toward the major or minor; a list of these courses is available on the Registrar’s Office website.

- **Limits on a Fifth Full Course**: Students will be allowed to add a fifth full credit, but only during Add/Drop II in the fall semester and only with advisor permission. This has been extended to reinforce the findings that taking four online courses is already a heavy load.

- **AP/IB score submission**: Normally students must have all AP/IB scores submitted to the College by the end of their sophomore year. Last spring CEP temporarily lifted this deadline to accommodate students. This policy has been extended through the spring 2021 semester.

- **Community College credit for transfer**: Last spring CEP also temporarily authorized the use of community college credit, as long as the normal transfer credit process was followed. This has been extended so that students can take courses at community colleges for transfer credit through next summer. Courses that take place after next summer may not be from community colleges.