

### **Minutes for Academic History Work team.**

8/18/2008 Attended by, Peter (UAS), Lora (UAA) Colleen, Brigitte (UAF) Jim (State wide)

Next meeting is September 15, 2008, at 2:30 p.m.

1) A question was posed today why all the 'F' grades on SHAGRDE are flagged as being counted in "Passed Hours". We were concerned that the user who looks on SHATERM or SHAINST who see the 'Passed Hours' field would question why a failing grade would be considered as counting as passed. The idea is we want to remove the flag of count in 'Passed Hours' off of our 'F' grades on SHAGRDE so the 'Passed Hours' field information is more accurate.

In talking with Colleen, she said it had been agreed upon when we first came into Banner to count all 'letter grades' as 'Passed Hours', thus the 'F' grades were all set to count as "Passed Hours". That decision also impacted the setup on the Dean's rule block on SHAACST to look at the Type of Hours field of 'P' for passed hours and not 'G' for GPA hours for its calculation for both the DL and CL. She mentioned that if we left the SHAACST Type of Hours field to 'P' and took that flag off of our 'F' grade, then some of our students who should have met the criteria for the DL would not be picked up, which based on my testing was correct. This scenario may not impact many students, but it could; the student has a total of 12 credits, with all their courses receiving an 'A' grade except one, which was a 1.00 credit course that was given an 'F' grade. The student should still be listed on the DL as they would have a 3.66 GPA. True to what she said, that student was not picked up for the DL because of the current rules set on SHAACST.

So I then changed the Dean's rule on SHAACST, setting the Type of Hours field for the CL and DL to a 'G' for GPA hours

Ran the SHR9STD process and the student who previously was missed with getting the DL was awarded it accurately

So basically, we could in theory now, set all the 'F' grades on SHAGRDE to **not count** in 'Passed Hours', along with changing our Dean's list rule on SHAACST to use the 'G' Type of Hours and the information on Banner is correct.

Colleen asked that this be put as a topic for discussion when this team meets again.

From Patty

UAA has chosen to move to the 'G' for GPA hours. However this can still cause problems when a student is taking course across MAUs for the Dean's list. It would be better if all three MAUs agree to the change. UAF has decided that they would like to do some more research before making a decision. UAS has also decided to do more research. We will talk about this again at our next meeting to give the campuses time to look in to the implications of the change.

2) Currently the web transcript is displaying degrees that are pending in the DEGREES AWARDED area with a field label of Associate Pending and then the name of the degree. There is no Degree Date shown.

Do we want to continue it this way or should the web transcript only show degrees awarded in this section and not those that are also pending? If we want to continue showing pending degrees, should we change the area name to DEGREES PENDING &/OR AWARDED?

Thanks to Emily for bringing this up.  
Colleen

We would like to remove the degree awarded block from the UA online un-official transcript until a degree has been awarded. Currently the transcripts show a degree awarded block at the top of the student's record with no degree awarded date. This can be very confusing to students and faculty. I, Peter, will write a task request for this.

3) I would like to hear some feedback on the following suggestion as an agenda item for the next Acad-Hist meeting:

Can we remove 500-level Professional Development courses from the SHRRPTS report? They use a lot of e-file space (or paper if printed) and have to be skipped or deleted manually while working the report. It's wasting time and resources. These 500-level grades are not excluded when repeated at UAS. Thank you. -jan

Can we have our own transcript level for 500, do the other campuses have their own level for these courses?

After talking with Barbara, we at UAS, would like to use the PS level for our 500 level courses. It was brought up by Colleen that this level existed and we currently were not using it. This solves the problem with the report. I have asked Jim about changing all our previous 500 level courses to the PS level.

4) When a student is in multiple programs and graduates from one, how do we want to inactive that program for the student? This has to do with how degree works reads a student's active curricula. Currently UAS, makes the inactive curricula a non degree seeking curricula.

Currently UAA and UAF make secondary programs "inactive" they do not change the program to non-degree seeking. To be in alignment UAS is also going to inactive secondary programs when the degree is awarded. This also will also fix problems with degree works.