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STUDENT SENATE

S09RS

SGR No. 25

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A RESOLUTION

TO URGE AND REQUEST THAT THE LSU ADMINISTRATION ALLOW STUDENTS TO RETAKE CLASSES PREVIOUSLY PASSED BY THAT STUDENT

- PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF AN EDUCATION IS THE ACCUMULATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, LSU HAS EXPRESSED AN ONGOING COMMITMENT TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, AS EVIDENCED AND SUPPORTED BY INITIATIVES SUCH AS THE CATS ACADEMIC TRACKING SYSTEM;
- PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, WHEN A STUDENT FINISHES A CLASS WITH A PASSING GRADE, THAT STUDENT STILL MIGHT NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE MATERIAL COVERED IN THAT CLASS; AND
- PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, CURRENTLY, IF A STUDENT PASSES A CLASS WITH A “C” GRADE OR HIGHER, HE OR SHE IS NOT ALLOWED TO TAKE THE SAME COURSE AGAIN WITHOUT OBTAINING SPECIFIC APPROVAL FROM THE DEPARTMENT; AND
- PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, THE CURRENT SYSTEM THEREBY SUBSTANTIVELY PENALIZES STUDENTS WHO DO WELL IN THE CLASS, AT THE SAME TIME PROCEDURALLY FAVORING THOSE WHO DID NOT PASS;
- PARAGRAPH 6:** WHEREAS, MANY OTHER TOP TIER UNIVERSITIES ALLOW STUDENTS TO RETAKE CLASSES, REGARDLESS OF THE FIRST ATTEMPT GRADE; AND
- PARAGRAPH 7:** WHEREAS, STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED GRADE C OR HIGHER SHOULD BE ABLE TO RETAKE THE CLASS UNDER THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS.
1. THE SECOND ATTEMPT GRADE WILL BE SHOWN ON THE STUDENT’S TRANSCRIPT NEXT TO THE FIRST ATTEMPT GRADE
 2. THE SECOND ATTEMPT GRADE WILL NOT BE FACTORED INTO THE STUDENT’S GRADE POINT AVERAGE
 3. THE SECOND ATTEMPT HOURS WILL NOT COUNT TOWARDS TOTAL CREDIT HOURS
 4. THE SECOND ATTEMPT HOURS WILL COUNT TOWARDS SCHEDULED SEMESTER HOURS
 5. STANDARD W REGULATIONS APPLY WHEN DROPPING THE SECOND ATTEMPT
 6. A STUDENT MAY ONLY TAKE A CLASS TWICE
 7. A STUDENT WILL NOT HAVE THE PRIORITY OF SCHEDULING THE CLASS OVER THOSE WHO HAVE YET TO TAKE THE COURSE

8. A STUDENTS ELIGIBILITY FOR RETAKING A COURSE WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DEPARTMENT

PARAGRAPH 8: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE URGES THE FACULTY AND STAFF TO ALLOW STUDENTS TO RETAKE CLASSES WHICH THE STUDENT PREVIOUSLY PASSED WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED CONDITIONS; AND

PARAGRAPH 9: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS BILL IS GIVEN TO CHANCELLOR MARTIN.

PARAGRAPH 10: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A MAJORITY (1/2) VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNITURE BY THE PRESIDENT; UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION; OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE.

APPROVED:

BEN CLARK
STUDENT SENATE SPEAKER

DATE_____

J. COLORADO ROBERTSON
STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE_____