

Council of Directors of Student Academic Services

AGENDA | April 16, 2025 | 10:30 – 12:00 PM

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1. Academic Standing and Reboot Program Update - Shannon Baker

- Candace Thrasher will play a key role in launching the new Academic Reboot program.
- Updated notification letters now include more supportive, normalized messaging.
- First-year students not in good academic standing will be invited to join the new Academic Reboot program, which provides enhanced support services.
- This program is a rebranded version of the existing Academic Recovery Program.
- A. Martindale expressed interest in potentially adapting elements of the program for implementation in their own college.

2. FY Advisor Assignments Transition - Kimberly Meints

- Efforts are underway to automate first-year advisor assignments to minimize human error.
- Initial tests of the automation process have been successful.
- A first draft of advisor assignments has been developed.
- Transition Timeline:
- At the start of the summer term, OSS advisors will be deactivated.
- Primary major advisors will be activated.
- Recommendation: Delay ending secondary advisor assignments until after Memorial Day.
- A communications structure to support this transition has already been mapped out.

3. Internship Cost Communication - Laurie Beets

- There is a need to improve student and parent awareness of internship costs at the time of enrollment.
- Updated website content now provides clearer language regarding these costs.
- Even in-state internships may incur out-of-state tuition charges.
- Fee waivers are available, though modest.

4. Payment of Student Fees, Tuition, and Charges (Policy 3-0335) - Laurie Beets

- The updated Policy 3-0335 regarding payment of student charges has been officially approved and implemented.

5. Updates to OSU Policies to Align with OSRHE Policy (Phase 1) - Rita Peaster

- Goal: Align OSU policies with updated State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) policies.
- Emphasis on student-friendly, streamlined policy language and removal of non-policy content.
- Changes will be phased in, beginning with urgent and straightforward areas.
- Key updates shared:
- Section 312 – Grading policies (Academic Forgiveness, Reprieve, and Renewal):
- Three-year restriction on reprieve removed.
- Time frame for some provisions reduced from 5 years to 3 years.
- Honorary Degrees – Criteria have been relaxed to make awarding easier.
- DSAS voted to approve these changes.

6. New Repeat Policy Implementation - Rita Peaster

- The new Repeat Policy has been approved by the state and will go into effect this summer.
- Next step: Approval of the Registrar's implementation proposal.
- A Communication Working Group was formed to build out student and advisor messaging plans:
 - Members: Kelly Kavallier, Amy Martindale, Twambi Kerstetter, Linda Millis, Ebonie Hill
- Audrey Pinion will coordinate the scheduling of the working group and arrange campus-wide advisor training.