

University of Windsor

Advanced Standing – Over the Years

February 22, 2019



For today

- We've come so far
- Governance
- Moving forward



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September 19, 1996

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- **Applicants who have completed St. Clair College Foundations of Academic Writing I (FAW 100) will receive transfer credit for University of Windsor Foundations of Academic Writing (01-01-150). Applicants who have completed St. Clair College Foundations of Academic Writing II (FAW 105) will receive transfer credit for University of Windsor Foundations of Academic Writing II (01-01-151)**



Advanced Standing Requirements

1. *By Transfer*

- Minimum **grade of C-** required
- Recognized institution of higher learning
- Transfer grade does not appear on UWindsor transcript
- Student must present official transcript and copies of course syllabi
- **Evaluation completed by the Office of the Registrar in consultation with the appropriate academic unit**
- Appeals to assessment must occur within one term after admission to program of study

2. *By Examination*

- Knowledge acquisition does not provide a basis for credit transfer
- Request must be received within one term after admission to a specific program
- Minimum grade of C- required
- Successful examinations will be recorded as “Advanced Standing by Examination” with the credit value of the course and a grade of “Pass”
- Not eligible for repeat

3. *By Prior Learning Assessment*

- Knowledge acquisition does not provide a basis for credit transfer
- Request must be received within one term after admission to their program of study
- Prior Learning Assessment Co-ordinator

4. *International Baccalaureate*

- **Must have completed full diploma** with a grade total of 28
- **Maximum award of four general elective course credits**



2009

Advanced Standing Policy Expands to Include:

1. *Advanced Placement*

- Requires a 4 out of 5 grade on final Advanced Placement examinations
- Maximum award of **four** semester courses may be granted

2. *International Baccalaureate*

- Must have completed full diploma with a grade total of 28
- Maximum award of **four** general elective course credits for each Higher Level subject completed with a minimum score of five (5)



Advanced Standing Policy Expands to Include:

1. *Transfer Credit for Visual Arts Courses*

- Requires a portfolio
- Reviewed by Visual Arts
- Student must present official transcript and catalogues describing the courses taken
 - Must be submitted no later than two weeks before the first day of classes
- Art history credit may require a qualifying examination during the first week of regularly scheduled classes

2. *Letter of Permission*

- Must be obtained in advance of registration
 - Students who do not secure a LOP in advance of completing the course at another university are at risk of coursework not being applied to their UWindsor program
- AAU Head or Associate Dean approves
- Normally must be in good academic standing
- Minimum grade of C- required



2013

Advanced Standing Policy Expands to Include:

1. General Certificate of Education

- Minimum C grade in final GCE Advanced level examinations
- Equated to specified or unspecified UWindsor courses and are relevant to the student's academic program
- Maximum award of **six** semester courses may be granted
- No transfer credit will be granted for Advanced Subsidiary level examinations



2015

NEW Advanced Standing and Credit Transfer Policy

- Dean (designate) may grant credit in recognition of academic course work completed at another PSI or recognized
- Mechanisms by which a student may obtain advanced standing are revised
 - Block transfer (e.g., articulation agreement and by degree completion program)
 - AP
 - IB
 - Challenge Examination
 - Completion of academic work offered through an approved organization
 - Evaluation of prior academic work on a case-by-case basis
- Students now have two terms to appeal a decision
- Process for evaluation becomes transparent
 - Expectations of institution in terms of the student must know their assessment by the end of the first term of study
 - Students now know what is required of them:
 - Detailed list of topics covered
 - List of textbook(s) used
 - Learning Outcomes
 - Grading Mechanism
 - Number of lecture, tutorial and laboratory hours



2015

NEW Advanced Standing and Credit Transfer Policy

- Transfer credit may be granted on a one-for-one basis
- To be evaluated, a minimum grade of 60% must be achieved in university courses and 70% in non-university courses
- Once a transfer credit decision has been made it shall be recorded and serves as precedent in future awards
- IB and AP
 - Eligible for 10 transfer equivalencies
- Website developed: <http://www.uwindsor.ca/registrar/2848/transfer-students>



Rationale

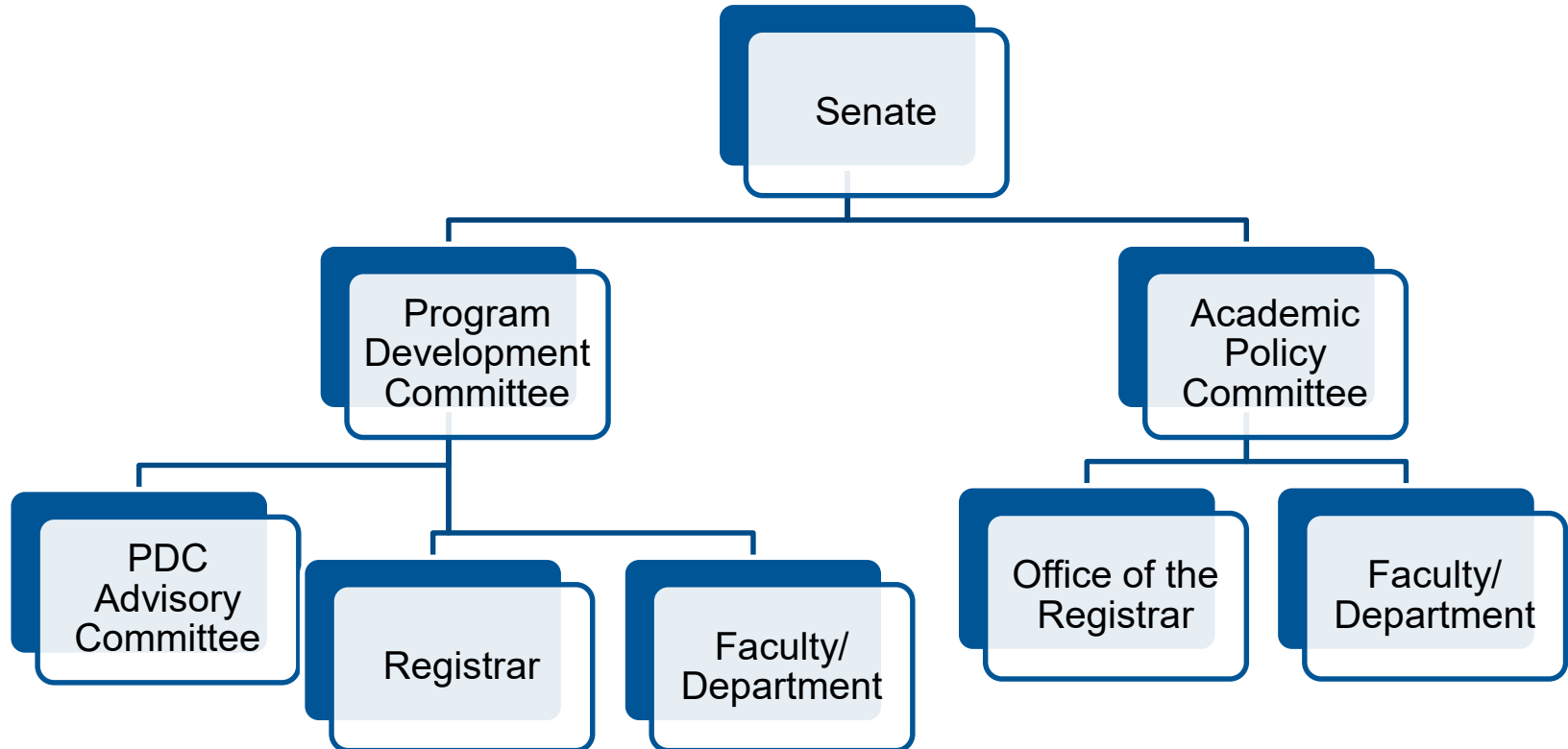
- There were too many regulations and policies all dealing with advanced standing
- There should be one policy dealing with this which is easily accessible by students
- These revisions pulled together all of the many transfer credit regulations in the undergraduate calendar and aligned the assessment of transfer credit with the Senate Course Equivalency Policy
- The revisions support the government's vision for credit transfer
- The revisions will serve to alleviate some of our current enrolment pressures



Governance



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1. *Academic Policy Committee*

- Created as a Senate Standing Committee
- Senate mandate:
 - Makes “recommendations to Senate with respect to admissions and enrolment management”
 - How we process an admission for a student transferring from another post-secondary institution is governed by Senate through recommendations supported by APC

2. *Program Development Committee*

- Created as a Senate Standing Committee
- Senate mandate:
 - Maintenance of high Academic Standards and Quality Programs
 - Approves degree completion pathways and articulation agreements



Where to Next



Where to Next.....

Strategic pathway development

- *Program capacity*
- *Data to support – how have our transferred students performed*

Continued course-to-course equivalency development and maintenance

Use of technology



Thank You

