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From: Academic Policies Council  
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On Friday, March 7, Academic Policies Council reviewed all the materials concerning repeating non-Oswego courses. After reviewing the comments forwarded by Andy Westfall via the request of Faculty Assembly, APC believes that the original proposed policy presented to FA is clear and complete, with the words rearranged slightly, for clarity. Therefore, the Council is returning the original proposal for the Policy on non-Oswego repeated courses:

Students shall only receive credit for the same course once. When a course is taken at Oswego that was taken previously elsewhere, the grade earned at Oswego is counted towards the student’s GPA. If an Oswego course, in which a student earned a grade lower than C- is repeated elsewhere with prior approval, and a C- or better is earned, the Oswego grade will be excluded from the student’s GPA.

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On Friday, March 7, Academic Policies Council considered the proposal for the adoption of the Integrity Pledge Proposal. Whereas the Council wholeheartedly supports the concept of academic integrity and the need to make students aware of their obligation to act with academic integrity, APC does not support the methods for promoting the pledge that were put forth in the Bozak memorandum of December 4, 2007. APC members believe that academic integrity is a disposition that is instilled in young people by continuous reinforcement in academic settings and modeling of integrity by the adults in the students’ academic and non-academic environments. Although the Council understands that the methods of promoting academic integrity in the Bozak memorandum were merely examples, it does not believe that signing a pledge as suggested (at the opening picnic) will help to earn the status this concept deserves. The Council believes that the proposal suggests actions too superficial to effectively deal with this important situation.