To: Dr. Richard Leeman, President of Faculty Council

From: Dr. Gregory Mixon, Chair, Faculty Academic Policy and Standards Committee

Date: September 19, 2017

Re: FAPSC Recommendations on: Baccalaureate Degree Requirements and Add/Drop Period

The following recommendations are being passed to Faculty Executive Committee from FAPSC:

Baccalaureate Degree Requirements:

# **UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: Baccalaureate Degree Requirements**

#### I. Introduction

All baccalaureate degrees require completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours and completion of the General Education requirements. To graduate from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, students must earn the last at least 25% of degree requirements at UNC Charlotte including the last 12 credit hours of work in the major field and at least 6 credit hours of a minor at UNC Charlotte, and must be in good academic standing, and must have earned a minimum grade point average of at least 2.0 in the major/minor.

## **II. Policy Statement**

#### CREDIT HOURS AND MAJOR

All baccalaureate degrees require completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours, including all requirements for a major field of study. Specific requirements for degrees and programs are presented under the college and departmental sections of the *Catalog*.

#### GENERAL EDUCATION

All baccalaureate degrees require completion of a common set of General Education requirements. Refer to the General Education Program section of the *Undergraduate Catalog*.

#### RESIDENT REQUIREMENT

To graduate, a student must earn the last at least 25% of baccalaureate degree requirements at UNC Charlotte, including the last 12 credit hours of work in the major field and at least 6 credit hours of any minor field of study. Exceptions to these hour provisions may be made upon the recommendation of the student's major department and with the approval of the dean of the college of the student's major. (Please note: earning 25% of the degree at UNC Charlotte cannot be waived due to Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accreditation standards.)

**Commented [WM1]:** Added by FEC at 10-05-2017 meeting.

Coursework taken in residence shall be construed to mean work offered by UNC Charlotte and taken in courses on the UNC Charlotte campus or at an approved off-campus center. Credit earned by challenge examinations or other advanced standing examinations cannot be used to meet the residency requirement.

## GRADE POINT AVERAGES

To graduate, a student must be in good academic standing and have earned a grade point average of at least 2.0 and a grade point average of at least 2.0 in the major and in any minor. Some programs require a higher grade point average. Specific requirements for degrees and programs are presented under the college and departmental sections of the *Undergraduate Catalog*.

#### Add/Drop Period:

# Option 1:

# Add/Drop Period

The Add/Drop period runs through the eighth calendar sixth business day of the Fall and Spring semesters (the second instructional business day for the first and second Summer sessions). During the Add/Drop Period, students can:

- Register for courses.
- Drop a course(s) without record (and remain enrolled in other courses).
- Drop all courses without record.
- Change the grade type to Audit or Pass/No Credit (refer to Auditing a Course and Pass/No Credit Option sections).
- Elect to retake a course with Grade Replacement (refer to Repeating Courses section).

After the Add/Drop Period students can withdraw from one or more courses in accordance with the Withdrawal policy.