

Academic Quality Committee
October 22, 2018

Proposal to change the University Audit and Withdrawal dates

Whereas: Western Kentucky University's Audit and Withdrawal date is the earliest of any major University in Kentucky as well as our Benchmark Universities*, and

Whereas: the Audit and Withdrawal date currently occurs halfway through the semester, and

Whereas: Many students are not aware of their academic standing in a course at this point in the semester, and

Whereas: A later Audit and Withdrawal date would provide more time for faculty to engage with their students as to the likelihood of course success, and

Whereas: A later Audit and Withdrawal date will allow students ample time to make better informed decisions regarding academic success, and

Whereas: A later Audit and Withdrawal date will assist students in meeting the 60% rule regarding student loans, therefore, relieving the financial burden of paying for the dropped course, and

Whereas: A later Audit and Withdrawal date will ease the financial burden of paying an audit or withdrawal fee, and

Whereas: A late Audit and Withdrawal date may increase retention rates and or better prepare students to retake the course at a later date.

Therefore: we, the sub-committee of Academic Quality, recommend that the Audit and Withdrawal dates for all classes occur when the course is 70% completed.

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Institution	Week of Drop with a W (week of classes)
Western Kentucky University	7
Eastern Kentucky University	12
Kentucky State University	10
Morehead State University	11
Murray State University	12
Northern Kentucky University	10
University of Kentucky	12
University of Louisville	9
Appalachian State University	10
Ball State University	10
Bowling Green State University	12
Central Michigan University	12
East Carolina University	10
East Tennessee State University	9
Florida Atlantic University	12
Illinois State University	Unknown
Indiana State University	12
James Madison University	9
Middle Tennessee State University	10
Northern Illinois University	Anytime between week 3 and 8; later with special permission
Ohio University	10
Townson University	10
University North Carolina at Charlotte	11
University North Carolina at Greensboro	10
University of South Alabama	12
University of Southern Mississippi	12

Note:

The following organizations support the proposal:

Financial Aid
Institutional Research
Registrar
Student Government Association

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