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Subject: HHP Students: S-U Grading and Drop Revised Policy Spring 2020

HHP students,

The university has adapted a new S/U and drop policy for spring 2020 coursework. Students can review the revised policy [here](#) (or attached). As the opt-in period approaches, we encourage you to take time to review the FAQs as they relate to S/U grades. With regard to HHP major specific coursework, many students may find it's in their best interest to retain letter grades in many of their courses. When considering whether or not switch one or any of your courses to S/U, students should consider the following:

- What grade am I currently earning in the class? If I remain letter graded, will this grade meet the degree requirement?
- S/U grades have NO GPA weight. Coursework taken as S/U will neither positively nor negatively affect GPA.
- One or more of my classes are pre-health/graduate school prerequisites, what should I do? The [pre-health advising office](#) has sent guidance for pre-health prereqs and recommends students remain letter graded in science coursework if possible.
- When discussing this option with your peers, remember each college and major have different minimum grade requirements. What works for your peers may not work for your situation.

When determining if the S/U option is within your best interest, please utilize the following resources:

- Degree audit in [ONE.UF](#)
- Undergraduate catalog entry for your major - [HHP page](#) (located in either the overview or model semester plan sections).
- Academic Advisor: our departmental academic advisors are knowledgeable about degree requirements and can offer guidance on how an S/U option would affect your ability to meet degree requirements. Please reach out to your academic advisor to discuss. All our advisors are offering phone/email advising currently, please consult their [online calendars](#) for availability.
- Time - don't rush to a decision. The period to request this change is April 1-April 22. Take time to consider all your options before making a decision.

Again, for many students making a transition to S/U may not be in their best interest depending on course load this semester and/or status in their respective majors. If you have questions or concerns, your academic advisor can assist you. Your HHP family is here to support and help you during this trying time.

Best,

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