DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS



MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 12, 2025

TO: Angie Hill Price, PhD

Speaker, Faculty Senate

FROM: Kristen Harrell, PhD

Chair, Rules and Regulations Committee

SUBJECT: Proposed Revisions to the Texas A&M Student Rules

Attached please find proposed revisions to the Texas A&M University Student Rules as approved by the Rules and Regulations Committee on Monday, May 12, 2025.

JUSTIFICATION

As a student with a disability and course-load accommodations, I believe that people like me should be considered for the Dean's List. People with disabilities work so hard, if not harder than an able-bodied person, to succeed academically. Please see the attached letter which contains overwhelming evidence for why this rule should be modified. Thank you.

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11 Distinguished Students

Student Rule 11 Change for Consideration

Proposed Change: It is proposed to amend Student Rule 11 to include the red-lined text:

Student rule 11. Distinguished Students

(Revised: 2013)

An undergraduate student who completes a semester schedule of at least 15 hours or a summer session schedule of at least 12 hours with no grade lower than C and with a grade point average of not less than 3.5 for the semester or for a summer session shall be designated "distinguished student." A student who, under the same circumstances, achieves a grade point average of at least 3.75 also shall be designated as a member of the "dean's honor roll." First semester freshmen must complete a semester schedule of at least 15 hours with no grade lower than a "C," no Q-drops and with a grade point average of not less than 3.5 for "distinguished student" designation and a 3.75 for "dean's honor roll." A student with a disability may request reasonable accommodation related to the minimum course load for "distinguished student" and "dean's honor roll" eligibility criteria through Disability Resources on a semester-by-semester basis. See Disability Resources webpage Home - Disability Resources for further information. Official notification of these designations will be issued to the student by the **Dean or designee** of the student's college. The hours earned with a grade of S shall not be included in determining minimum hours required for the designation of "distinguished student" or "dean's honor roll." A grade of I or U disqualifies a student from being considered as a "distinguished student" or for the "dean's honor roll." Grades of Q, W, and NG may not be included in the 15 graded hours. Only undergraduate courses or graduate courses used for the undergraduate degree will be used in either honors calculation.