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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 30, 2021

TO: Dr. Dale Rice
Speaker, Faculty Senate

FROM: Dr. Anne Reber
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. In addition to the justification that follows, please note that this rule change proposal received unanimous approval from the Committee and faculty representatives (some who serve or have served as advisors as well) expressed full support of the proposed change. Apparently, this change has been discussed for some time now. Thank you.

These changes are for the following section:

Student Rule 5.1 Change of Curriculum

[Approved by the Student Rules and Regulations Committee on June 30, 2021](#)

[Approved by the Faculty Senate on August 11, 2021](#)

[Approved by the President on August 19, 2021](#)

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PROPOSAL

Please see attached rule with tracked changes.

JUSTIFICATION

Colleges expressed the current ten day waiting period is unnecessary. Both advisors and students would like to start receiving and processing requests as soon as grades are posted.

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Present Rule with additions in **bold red font** and deletions ~~struck~~

5. Change of Curriculum

(Revised: 2019) **(Revised 2021)**

5.1 Undergraduate students who have completed at least one term of full admission and enrollment at Texas A&M University may initiate a curriculum change starting ten (10) business days following posting of final grades of the previous semester and ending on the twentieth (20th) class day of the current semester per the academic calendar.

Proposed New Wording:

5.1 Undergraduate students who have completed at least one term of full admission and enrollment at Texas A&M University may initiate a curriculum change starting ~~ten (10) business days~~ **the day** following posting of final grades of the previous semester and ending on the twentieth (20th) class day of the current semester per the academic calendar.

5.2 An undergraduate student in their first term of full admission and enrollment at Texas A&M University may initiate a curriculum change before the end of the fifth (5th) day of regular classes. Curriculum changes may once again be initiated after final grades have posted as described in Section 5.1.

5.3 Application for curriculum change shall be acted upon by the Dean or designee of the colleges concerned. At the time of the change, the Dean or designee of the college to which the transfer is being made shall determine if the application is being accepted or rejected. If accepted, the Dean or designee shall indicate conditions for acceptance, including the date the change will become effective and terms of probation. The decision of the Dean or designee regarding acceptance or rejection of curriculum change applications and any related conditions is final.

5.4 For graduate and professional students, a curriculum change (i.e., a change from one major department to another) is accomplished via petition approved by the original department, the new department and the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies.