## Academic Records—Grading and Diploma Processing

### **Veteran Update**

Total VA students enrolled - 101
UG-34 GR/Prof-67
Chapter 33 (New Post 9/11 GI Bill) - 58
Non-Chapter 33 - 43
VA website is located at
smu.edu/registrar/veterans.asp.
Contact Veronica Decena for information.

### **Student Financial Services**

www.smu.edu/bursar www.tuition.salliemae.com Payment due date for undergraduates: May 20 - Summer August 2 Fall

If you are interested in payment plans, please visit our website <a href="www.smu.edu">www.smu.edu</a>. Payment plan information will be posted here as it becomes available.

## Early Intervention Grading

- Monday, February 15 Early Intervention grade rosters generated
- Monday, February 22 Early Intervention grades due at 11:59 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 23 Deficiency Reports sent to A-LEC & Advising Center
   Deficiency Letters sent to students

# Mid-Term Grading

- Thursday, March 11 Mid-Term grade rosters generated
- Thursday, March 25 Mid-Term grades due at 11:59 p.m.
- Friday, March 26 Deficiency Reports sent to A-LEC, Advising Center and School Records offices

Deficiency Letters sent to students

#### **Information System**

AA: Academic Advising module has completed Degree Progress Report (DPR) setup of six new degree plans in the Applied Physiology and Sport Management program of the Simmons School of Education. These include two majors, three minors, and one premajor. Schools will soon be submitting Fall 2010 catalog updates to AA for DPR setup.

Access.SMU—Bookstore: Effective July 1st 2010, the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) requires SMU, to make available for students the International Standard Book Number (ISBN), identifying information and retail price for all required and recommended books and supplemental materials for each course offered. The bookstore project aims to build an interface between Access.SMU and the Barnes & Noble Registration Integration system which allows students to view and/or purchase textbooks as a seamless transaction integrated with

#### **Financial Aid**

### New Policies for Awarding Departmental Funds beginning in the Fall 2010

Departments will now be required to award stipends, assistantships and fellowships for the entire year instead of on a per term basis. If a department is unable to determine eligibility for a future term, then they will need to submit an estimated amount for each upcoming term (not including Summer) within the respective academic year. The estimated amount will be used as a placeholder as we award each student. Federal Financial Aid funds. The estimate item-type will be provided to each department upon request.

If no award or estimated award is submitted, the Office of Financial Aid will award an estimate for each future term in an amount equal to the prior term or the amount of full time tuition and fees. Whichever amount is greater.

Due to financial constraints all files must be completed by July 1st in order to receive SMU Need-Based Aid.

### **Satisfactory Academic Progress-**

- Checked after each Spring term once the student has completed 2 years if a Freshman and the 1<sup>st</sup> Spring if a Transfer student.
- All classes dropped with a W are counted in number of hours taken.
- Students must have greater than a 2.0 and pass 75% of all classes attempted to meet SAP.
- E-mails/letters will be going out this Fall to inform students that are in danger of not having federal aid available to complete their degrees.
- Students cannot be awarded aid at the point when an advisor can determine they will not complete their degree in 12 semesters or 150% of their degree requirements.
- Once on probation, students can be awarded aid for only one term at a time.
- Any denials of SAP will be reviewed by the Appeals Committee.
- This spring e-mails will be sent to students who have exceeded 130 hours at the undergraduate level. Warning them of the !50% limit for Financial Aid.
- Academic Advisors we would like your assistance with completing a doable plan of action for our struggling students. Please have them submit a plan of action. We would like for you to sign this plan and the student will submit it with the appeal document to the Financial Aid office. This will benefit both SMU and the student.

### **Scholarships-**

- Must have a 3.000 or above to retain the scholarship
- 2010-11 students will be penalized for losing their scholarships no longer getting SMU need-based grant to replace them. Penalty is \$4500.00.

# 5<sup>th</sup> Year Appeals-

- Must be approved by the Appeals Committee
- Must have an e-mail /letter from Academic Advisor
- Take at least two weeks for approval
- Will be notified in the Spring if enrolled for a 9<sup>th</sup> semester, or a 6<sup>th</sup> semester for a transfer, that they must appeal.
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