

College of Education Waiver Request

From Cass Dykeman, Councilor from College of Education.
Sent to Ryan Contreras, May 31, 2018

"The PhD with a Major in Education faculty would like a 3-term waiver for their part-time students of the following graduate policy that appears in the catalog:

Doctoral students must complete the program of study in consultation with their advisory committee. This signed plan must be submitted to the Graduate School by the end of the fifth term of study. Source: <http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/ChapterDetail.aspx?key=40>

The PhD with a Major in Education faculty would like a waiver in this policy only for the part-time students. They would like their part-time students to have until the end of the 8th term to complete their POS.

Even with this waiver, the part-time students would still have fewer credits earned at the time of the POS than do full time students when they complete their 5th term (i.e., 24-32 credits vs. ~60).

Given the fact that the earned credits still would be below what the full-time students earn at the time of their POS meeting, this waiver requests doesn't represent any substantive change in the program or the intent of the policy.

This waiver would involve 8-10 students a year at most.

I fully support this minor waiver proposal for it will make the POS process less stressful and more effective for or part-time PhD students with a Major in Education."