Temporary SIU School of Law Rule Changes Related to COVID-19

Art. II, § 7(b). Admission to the Academic Honors Program.
- For the 2019–2020 Academic Year only, 1L students who were not originally admitted to the Academic Honors Program but whose cumulative GPA is 3.500 or higher at the end of the Fall 2019 semester are eligible to join the Academic Honors Program. Students who were not in the Academic Honors Program during their first two semesters but whose cumulative GPA after completing their third full semester is 3.500 or higher are eligible to join the Academic Honors Program. Additionally, students may be invited to join the Academic Honors Program after referral by their professors and review of their performance in courses throughout the 2019–2020 academic year. The Associate Dean or designee will be responsible for communicating with students about their eligibility to join the program. [adopted on 4/17/20]

- For Spring 2020, courses that would have ordinarily awarded grades on a scale of 0.0 to 4.0 shall be officially recorded on a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis according to the following scale: 1.8 or greater = S, below 1.8 = U. [adopted on 4/3/20]

Art. III, § 1(c). Grade Distribution.
- Suspended for Spring 2020 [adopted on 4/3/20]

- No grades converted to S/U pursuant to the emergency pandemic grading policy adopted for Spring Semester 2020 will be counted toward the 22-credit hour graduation limit. However, all classes and sections that were coded for S/U grading at the beginning of Spring Semester 2020 will count towards the 22-credit hour graduation limit. [adopted on 4/3/20]

- Determinations ordinarily made at end of second full semester will be made at the end of the third full semester. [adopted on 4/3/20]
- Determinations ordinarily made at end of fourth full semester will be made at the end of the fifth full semester. [implied by faculty action of 4/3/20]

- Waived for Spring 2020 graduates [adopted on 4/3/20]

- Waived for all 2020 graduates [adopted on 4/3/20]

- Suspended for Spring 2020 [adopted on 4/27/20]

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Art. IV, § 1(b)(iii)(B). Public Interest Externships.
- Authority granted to Associate Dean to waive GPA requirement for Summer and Fall 2020 on a case-by-case basis [adopted on 4/27/20]

Art. IV, §§ 4(b)(iv) & 4(c)(iv). Advanced Appellate Moot Court and Mock Trial.
- Minimum grade point average at time of assuming board membership waived for Fall 2020 semester [adopted 4/27/20]

Art. IV, § 14(a) Continuing Eligibility in the Academic Honors Program.
- Determinations ordinarily made at end of second full semester will be made at the end of the third full semester. [adopted on 4/17/20]
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