

Changes to the University Handbook for 2009-2010

The following changes were made to the University Handbook as a result of Faculty Senate action during the 2008-2009 academic year:

Changes to Chapter 1

Resolution 2008-2009-061

A new major in Geoscience was approved.

Changes to Chapter 5

Resolution 2008-2009-007

Revision to University Handbook: Chapter 5, Section 3. The Advising Policy was revised to recognize advising as a form of teaching rather than a form of general educational service.

“Policies

Departments and functional equivalent units, in consultation with appropriate students, shall establish policies and procedures to support commitment to and assessment of individual advising. Where appropriate, departments shall specifically include advising as a component of ~~university and department service~~ teaching in merit considerations.”

Resolution 2008-2009-010&011

Revision to University Handbook: Chapter 5, Section 1. The Text Services/Text Rental Policy was significantly revised. The revisions included an increase, from \$45 to \$50, in the limit to the cost of supplemental texts that require department chair approval.

Resolution 2008-2009-126

Revision to University Handbook: Chapter 5, Section 11. The University’s Final Exam Policy was revised to address and clarify how to handle the postponement of a final exam period due to an emergency such as a blizzard. The policy was also revised to address distance learning, online courses, and hybrid courses.

Changes to Chapter 6

Resolution 2008-2009-004

Revisions to the University Awards Policy. The University Service Award was revised so that two recipients, rather than one recipient, shall each receive a sum of \$650.