

Student Policy Committee (SPC)

FS Student Policy Committee

Notes from the Meeting on November 17, 2021

In attendance: Maria Diamantis, Christine Broadbridge, Barbara Cook, Michael Dodge, Matthew Ouimet, William Farley, Wesley O'Brien, Kyle Mashia-Thaxton, Kate Marsland
Guests: Alicia Carroll, Helen Marx, Harry Twyman.

The committee's items of discussion were two: (a) the removal of PIN requirement for registration on Nov 29th and (b) update on the email from Dr. Tracy Tyree on Supporting our Students.

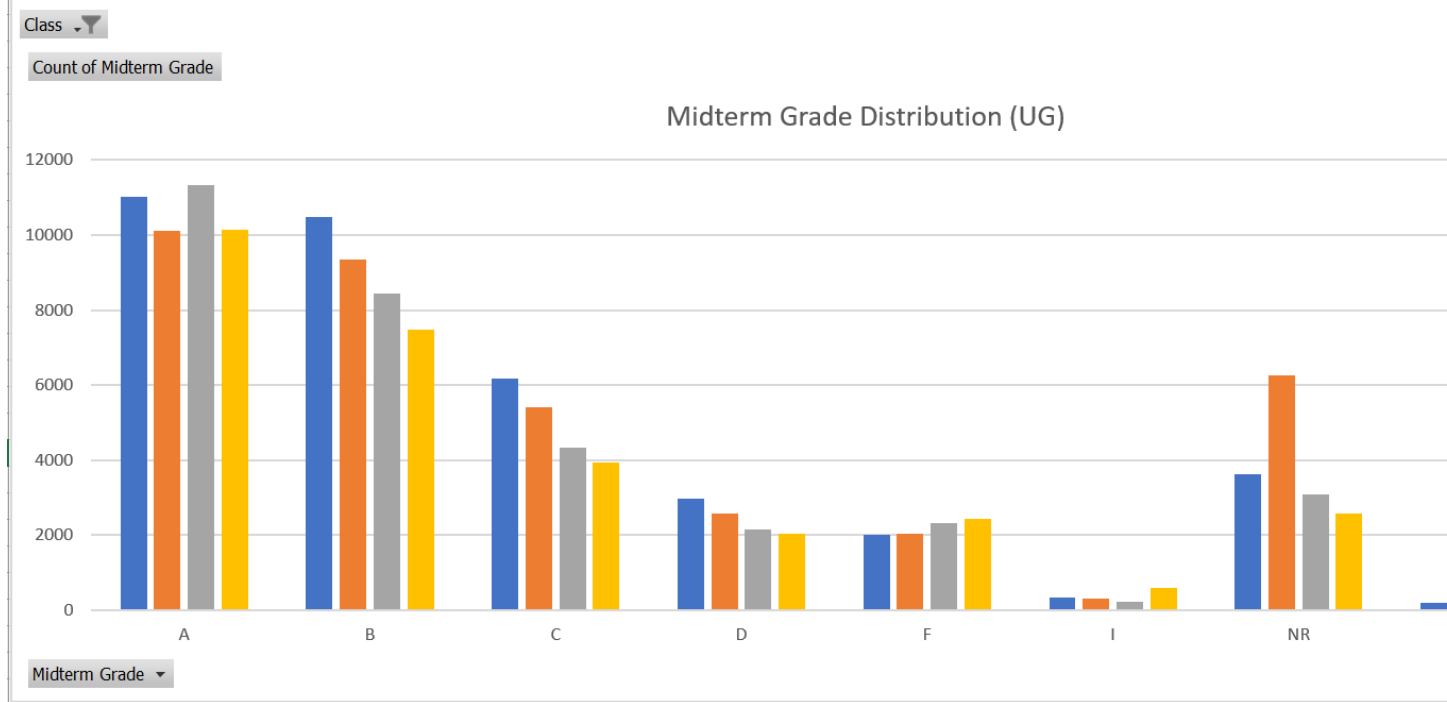
- (a) Helen Marx and Harry Twyman were invited to assist in our discussion about the PIN requirement and understanding of such change. Helen highlighted that this email/decision was in response to enrollment issues and the decline on such. The removal of PIN will make it easier for students outside SCSU to sign up for classes after the priority dates. In addition, this is a policy shift and not a new policy, thus, it did not need faculty senate involvement in approving it. The Advising season has been successful this year and more students signed up during their first day of registration than in the past. The committee expressed that such changes need to be discussed and share with the SPC and thus the FS, for transparency and communication. This email of removing PIN to register, has created many questions that could have been avoided if the communication included the faculty either at the SPC or the FS floor. Transparency and shared governance discussions are important to avoid miscommunications.
- (b) To better understand the context, Maria reached out to Dr. Tyree about the email communication and Tracy shared that the need to send the email was from various cohort meetings, such as residential students, students affiliated with UAP, multicultural organizations, peer mentor feedback, etc... Our students' challenges are very complex, thus the email was sent to support and remind us all to be aware and to assist as we all can.
- (c) Further discussion occurred to the potential connection to mid-term reporting of grades, with some data that Maria asked Alicia Carroll to provide for us. We are grateful for Alicia's assistance in providing the following data (see below) on Midterm Grades reported this year and compared to the pre-covid semesters, across different cohorts, and the different modalities due to COVID. The data was shared with the committee (includes midterm grades which were reported via Banner) and at this point the committee needs to examine/discuss the data further to draw any conclusions. The committee observed that there seems to be similar trends across the semesters and across the different delivery modalities. One note is that midterm grades have fluctuated over the semesters, yet this semester there was a higher number of I's reported on Banner than in the past.

The data shared below is for UG and GR population over the Fall 2018 - 2021.

Midterm Grade Distribution Count (UG) Fall 2018-2021

Note: NR = Not Reported in Banner

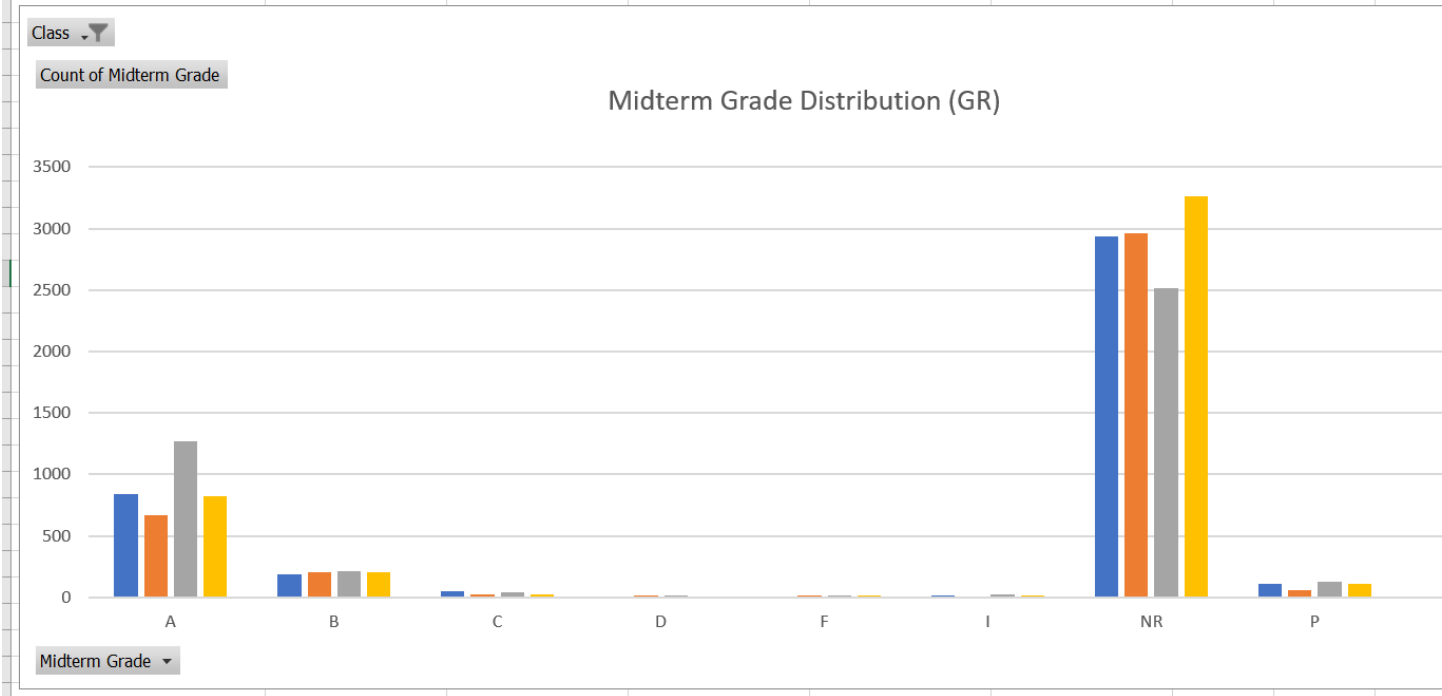
Midterm Grades	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Grand Total
A	11022	10123	11341	10148	42634
B	10488	9352	8441	7474	35755
C	6167	5423	4337	3937	19864
D	2979	2570	2163	2033	9745
F	2017	2038	2314	2446	8815
I	338	304	239	609	1490
NR	3623	6265	3098	2572	15558
P	206	150	183	509	1048
Grand Total	36840	36225	32116	29728	134909



Midterm Grade Distribution Count (GR) Fall 2018-2021

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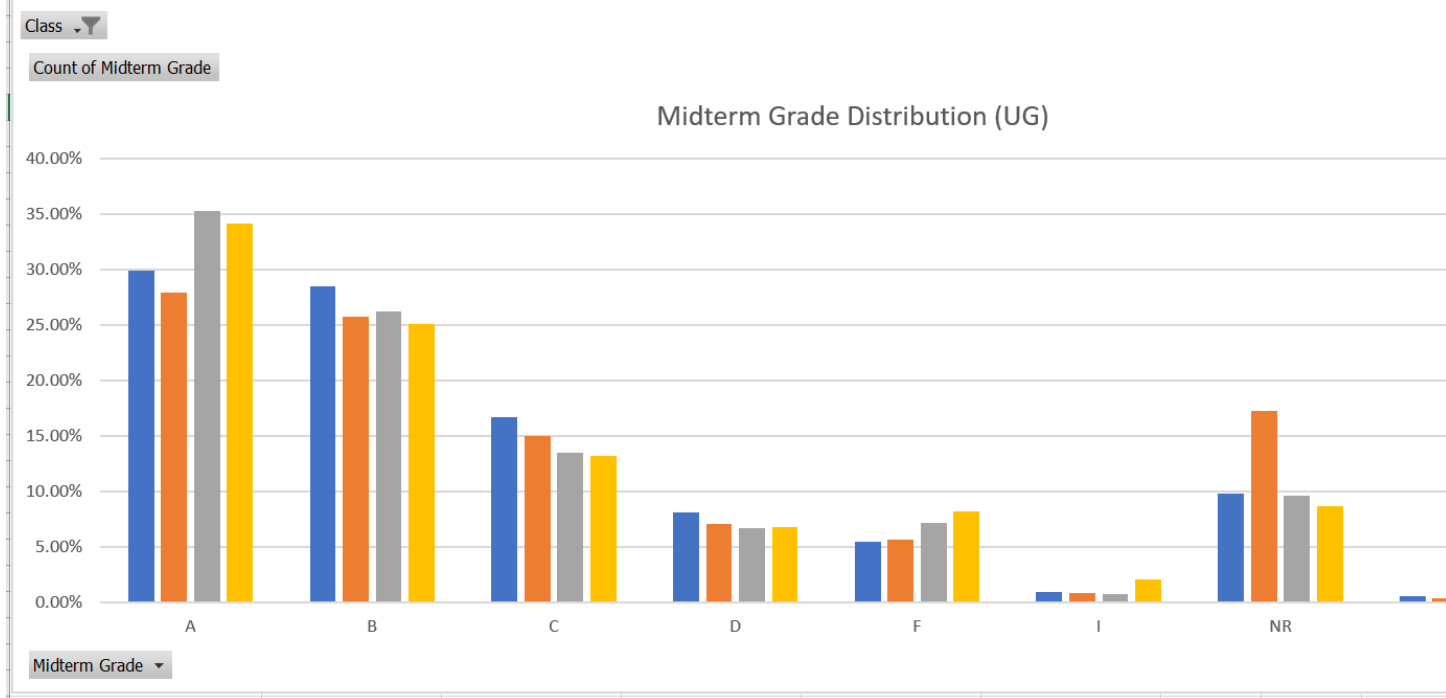
Midterm Grades	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Grand Total
A	838	670	1271	822	3601
B	192	203	217	206	818
C	52	29	41	29	151
D	9	13	13	12	47
F	12	14	19	17	62
I	17	8	22	17	64
NR	2936	2958	2511	3262	11667
P	115	58	129	109	411
Q	6				6
Grand Total	4177	3953	4223	4474	16827



Midterm Grade Distribution Percent (UG) Fall 2018-2021

Note: Percent used in place of count due to the variability in enrollment from Fall to Fall

Midterm Grades	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Grand Total
A	29.92%	27.94%	35.31%	34.14%	31.60%
B	28.47%	25.82%	26.28%	25.14%	26.50%
C	16.74%	14.97%	13.50%	13.24%	14.72%
D	8.09%	7.09%	6.73%	6.84%	7.22%
F	5.48%	5.63%	7.21%	8.23%	6.53%
I	0.92%	0.84%	0.74%	2.05%	1.10%
NR	9.83%	17.29%	9.65%	8.65%	11.53%
P	0.56%	0.41%	0.57%	1.71%	0.78%
Grand Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%



Midterm Grade Distribution Percent (GR) Fall 2018-2021

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Midterm Grades	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Grand Total
A	20.06%	16.95%	30.10%	18.37%	21.40%
B	4.60%	5.14%	5.14%	4.60%	4.86%
C	1.24%	0.73%	0.97%	0.65%	0.90%
D	0.22%	0.33%	0.31%	0.27%	0.28%
F	0.29%	0.35%	0.45%	0.38%	0.37%
I	0.41%	0.20%	0.52%	0.38%	0.38%
NR	70.29%	74.83%	59.46%	72.91%	69.33%
P	2.75%	1.47%	3.05%	2.44%	2.44%
Q	0.14%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.04%
Grand Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

