GUIDELINES FOR PASS/FAIL

(Spring term 2020 only)

- During spring term 2020, students will be able to take up to two elective courses on a “pass/fail” basis. The deadline for declaring a course as “pass/fail” will be May 22 (the end of the 8th week, rather than the normal practice of a week-3 deadline). Any courses taken as “pass/fail” during spring term 2020 will not count toward a student’s annual limit of “pass/fail” courses or toward the total limit of four. Spring term 2020 “pass/fail” courses will not count toward a student’s total limit of one “pass/fail” course per department or two per academic division. The option to declare some spring term 2020 courses as “pass/fail” is available to all students, including those who are in their first or second term at the college. The Registrar’s Office will create an electronic form for students to declare courses “pass/fail.”

- These changes to the pass/fail option will be in effect for spring term 2020 only.

- Other components of the college’s pass/fail option will remain in place for spring term 2020. Notably, courses that are required for the major, a minor, the Common Curriculum (General Education), or Writing Across the Curriculum may not be taken as “pass/fail.” Independent Study courses may not be taken “pass/fail.”

- Finally, the minimum number of graded (non-“pass/fail” ) courses required for attaining Dean’s List standing will not change for the 2019-20 academic year. For seniors, that minimum is seven; for other students the minimum is eight.