

## **Des Moines Area Community College**

### **Academic Standards Commission**

#### Charge

The Academic Standards Commission will study and recommend district academic policies and regulations.

#### Responsibility

The Academic Standards Commission is responsible for reviewing, evaluating and recommending districtwide academic policies and regulations. Specifically, the Commission will address

- general institutional admissions processes and requirements;
- assessment/placement of students;
- grading policies and procedures;
- attendance policies;
- academic honors;
- academic probations, dismissal and preadmission;
- withdrawal policies;
- eligibility rules;
- examination and testing policies and procedures;
- other issues involving the academic performance of all DMACC students.

The Commission will NOT address

- curricular offerings,
- graduation requirements,
- admission to specific programs, or
- other issues within the purview of other commissions, particular departments or individual faculty.

#### Powers

The Academic Standards Commission is empowered to recommend on any and all developed policies, regulations or procedures by means of a vote of the membership. A recommendation receiving approval of a majority of the Commission members will be submitted to the Vice President, Student Services for response. Any recommendation vetoed by the Vice President (or Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs) will be returned to the Commission, a written public explanation for rejection and/or suggestion for amendment will accompany the vetoed recommendation. Developed recommendations which fail to receive approval of a majority of Commission members will be rejected unless the Commission agree that revision and re-submission are warranted.

#### Membership

Faculty and staff broadly representative of the DMACC campuses and department will be appointed by the President. Student Action Board (SAB) will be asked to recommend a student for membership.

#### Budget

A budget of \$500 will be allocated for meeting expenses and materials.

#### Plans/Report

Following June 30 of each year, the Commission shall present an annual report to the President.

Staff Support

The Vice President of Student Services will provide administrative staff support to the Commission.

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