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Support for Hours-in-Residence policy reform

Whereas, the Academic Policies and Procedures Subcommittee of the Faculty Senate Undergraduate Committee has proposed a modification to UH's final hours-in-residency requirement; and

Whereas, low timely graduation rates have been a longstanding problem at UH that has negatively affected public funding, university rankings, and student success; and

Whereas, delays in graduation are often the result of students being unable to enroll in a degree-required course at UH during this period due to career obligations or other reasons; and

Whereas, this policy will reduce such barriers to graduation, making timely graduation easier for students; and

Whereas, this policy will not cheapen the value of a UH degree;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 51st administration of the Student Government Association of the University of Houston:

That as part of UH's pursuit of higher graduation rates, the Student Government Association at the University of Houston strongly supports the Academic Policies & Procedures Subcommittee's proposed amendment to the final residency policy.

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Further be it resolved that these modifications will allow students to take up to 6 of their last thirty credit hours at external institutions and transfer the earned credit to meet Core Requirements.



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