

Indiana University - Bloomington Graduate & Professional Student Government

Resolution to Update Academic Policies for Course Adjustment and Fees

Whereas IU charges 8.50 each day for adding/dropping a course 2 days after a student's enrollment date¹; and

Whereas students tend to add/drop courses up to 3x or or more after their enrollment date; and

Whereas students add/drop course up to 2nd week of classes resisting a Withdrawal (W); and

Whereas other Big 10 institutions like Ohio State and Power 5 schools like the University of Southern California do not charge add/drop fees until after at least 10 Business days into the semester²; and

Whereas the online registering system for adding and dropping classes is not as strenuous as it was when the policy was adopted charge fees for adding/dropping courses so quickly; and

Whereas 3 days or one week into the semester is not enough time to finalize a 15-week course schedule; and

Whereas faculty, schools, and departments do not finalize course offerings congruent with enrollment appointments; and

Whereas course offerings are offered after enrollment dates, in the middle of the semester, or discovered after the first week of classes; and

Whereas fees charged against students are overbearing and can be used for other educational and lively means; and

Whereas fees charged against students heavily impacts their mental, physical, and financial well-being; and

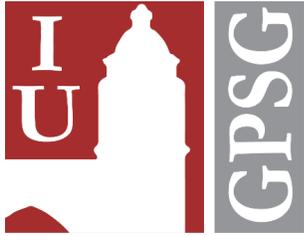
Whereas classes do not "meet" or fill to completion upon the beginning of the semester causing students to add courses late,

Therefore, be it resolved by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly that:

GPSG advocates for the University to reassess the add/drop fee policy for students.

¹ <https://studentcentral.indiana.edu/register/dropping-adding/index.html>

² <https://classes.usc.edu/term-20182/codes/>



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GPSG advocates for the Bloomington Faculty Council to meet standards for Big 10 and other major universities schools for add/drop fees.³

GPSG advocates for faculty to have policies for course offerings to be set prior to schedule adjustment fees.

GPSG advocates that, if passed, students' have representation in the decision of the new policy and the committee for reviewing this policy.

GPSG supports this proposal as a means of upholding scholarship for undergraduate and graduate students for admission to future graduate programs/careers, lessening funding costs on students, and continuing their mission to improve educational outcomes for students.

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³ <https://registrar.osu.edu/policies/feesexplanation.asp>