Dear Caucus and Committee Chairs,

Thank you all for all you are doing to take your classes online temporarily as we figure out our campus and national response to this virus. The FSEC will meet on Monday March 23, though many likely by Zoom, and will consider updated responses. In the first week after break, the Senate will likely be asked to hold a vote on three proposed emergency measures to get through the semester. They are:

(1) Immediately implementing the new 6-W limit that the Council has already approved for academic year 2020-2021. (Note: this was already approved and about to go into place.)

(2) Extending the drop deadline from the 84th day of the semester (March 31) to sometime during the last week of the semester (April 27-30). Note: this would be temporary, this semester only.

(3) Allowing, under extraordinary circumstances, a course with A-F grading to instead use S/NC grading for Spring 2020 only. This would be temporary and the faculty member would decide, though there are implications for Veterans and other groups being discussed.

The Academic Policy Committee and the Undergraduate Council would vet and vote on these before we get them. We want to get your thoughts before things move forward.