Faculty Senate



M2025.2.25 Motion to Recommend Amendment to Elite Student Auditor Application Form in Conformity with the Policies of Other Tennessee Universities

Originator: Senator Brad Dixon, Department of History

WHEREAS, the University of Tennessee at Knoxville further defines the instructor's responsibility over the classroom by allowing Elite Student Auditors to participate in "classroom discussions and laboratory fieldwork" only "in small classes with the permission of the instructor"; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga further defines the instructor's responsibility over the classroom by allowing Elite Student Auditors to participate in "classroom discussions, laboratory, or fieldwork" only "in small classes with the permission of the instructor"; now, therefore be it.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends that the University amend the Elite Student Audit Program application form by inserting the following language in conformity with the policies of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, to wit:

"Students auditing classes are under no obligation to attend classes regularly, answer questions, prepare homework assignments, or take examinations. They receive no credit for the class. They may take part in classroom discussions and laboratory or fieldwork only in small classes with the permission of the instructor."

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends that the University insert the aforesaid language into the Elite Student Audit Program webpage, https://www.memphis.edu/registrar/register/elite-student-audit.php, under the appropriate heading.

Recipients:

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