UGSAC, Students' Senate End-Term Report 2014-15

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- 1) The first meeting of the UGSAC, Students' Senate (2014-15) was held on **Monday**, **25**th **August**, **2014** in the Conference Room, Old SAC.
 - a) A **letter** was sent by the chairperson to the **Chairman**, **SUGC** on behalf of the UGSAC regarding the role of the DUGC Convener in the pre-registration process.

In particular, the UGSAC agreed that in order to ensure more diligent checking of crucial forms, the Convener, DUGC should only have to approve the form of a student if either:

- i) The student has been placed on Academic Probation
- ii) The student has been placed on Warning
- iii) The student has not registered for a non-elective (Core, Department Core, HSS, SO/ESO, etc.) course that is in the template of his programme for that semester.
- For any other student, the UGSAC agreed that the form should directly be submitted to the OARS Section
- b) The issue related to <u>dropping courses in the summer semester</u> was taken up. It was felt that the administrative hurdles in sorting out the categories of reasons for summer registration need to be mended.
- 2) A **joint meeting** of the outgoing and incoming UGSAC was planned in October but lack of quorum in repeated trials led to its cancellation.
- 3) The second meeting of the UGSAC, Students' Senate (2014-15) was held on **Sunday**, **1st February**,**2015** in the Senate Hall, New SAC.
 - a) The proposal for Semester-leave for any reason was taken. The UGSAC decided that <u>one semester</u> drop to be allowed without any medical ground at the discretion of the SUGC on any grounds that the student wishes. It was also decided that at most two semester drops be allowed in the whole degree. A **proposal** containing the above was sent to the **Chairman**, **SUGC**.
 - b) To consider the <u>review of the ARC</u>, a committee was formed comprising of:
 Shashank Bhandari (Y12 SUGC student nominee) (CHAIR of this committee), Anurag Sahay (Chair, UGSAC), Shrenik Bohra(DUGC nominee, HSS), Chaitanya Ahuja (DUGC nominee, EE), Praveen Honhar (DUGC nominee, AE)
 - c) The proposal for Inter IIT Semester Exchange was taken. No clear consensus was formed.
 - d) A lot of students opting for **dual major**, **minor** or **branch change**, had to invariably undergo the hassles of taking care of equivalent courses. Clarification was sought for considering ESO207A (9 credits) and CS210A (12 credits) as absolutely equivalent courses from the **DOAA**.
 - e) The confusion regarding the grading of the **UGP** of third semester as **S/X or Letter grade** was clarified by writing to **SUGC chairman**.
 - f) A **committee** was formed with the following members: Dhruv Singhal (Student nominee, CSE), Pallav Goyal (13456), Yash V.Singh (SUGC student nominee Y13) to look into the **templates** of all the departments comprehensively and find out glitches, and report was sent to the chairperson.
 - g) The proposal for a **remedial program**. Praveen Honhar (Student nominee, AE) presented this item from the **Students' Welfare Cell** for the consideration of the UGSAC. A few corrections were suggested in the proposal and it was sent to the floor of the senate.
- 4) The first special meeting of the UGSAC, Students' Senate (2014-15) was held on **Thursday**, **12**th **March**, **2015** in Senate Hall, New Sac.
 - a) This meeting was called urgently to discuss and finalize **template** related issues of the **graduating students**. The reports of the 2 committees formed in the previous meeting were taken and the final amendments were presented in the **SUGC meeting** scheduled on 13th March, 2015 thus ensuring that the template to be checked during graduation be up to date.