

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting
December 18, 2012**

Summary and Action Items

- **Back-Dating Graduations:** Discussion was held regarding the back-dating of graduation. The Council agreed that no back-dating of graduations should occur in any college.
- **Graduating with an “I” on Transcripts:** The Council agreed if all requirements are met and the I does not affect any requirement, then the student can graduate. But, advisors should treat all I’s as F’s when clearing candidates.
- **PACE Freshmen = Continuing Probation:** With modest changes to academic classification definitions approved by CAD last semester, there will be PACE freshmen who complete their first year at Texas State with academic classification = continuing probation. Colleges were asked to consider whether freshmen completing their first year as described above should be transitioned to the college of their major or remain in University College as exploratory students until they achieved standards for the major. Deans will report back to CAD.
- **Availability of Teaching Theaters for Spring 2013 and Fall 2013:** Dr. Michael Heintze distributed a handout that showed the updated usage of teaching theaters for the spring and fall 2013 semesters.
- **Mean GPA and Retention by Classification and Hours Attempted:** Dr. Bourgeois distributed a handout showing an analysis that was done on GPA and retention by classification. It shows that that the more hours attempted by a student leads to a better GPA.
- **Donor/Fundraising Communications:** Dr. Bourgeois reminded the Council of the importance of clarity/correctness/aptness when preparing newsletters, e-mails, websites, etc.
- **Fulbright Program and NSF Career Awards:** Dr. Bourgeois announced that Texas State was named as one of the Fulbright Program’s “top producers” and how this is important and helping us to elevate our status.
- **High Performance Computational Resources:** Dr. Bourgeois distributed a pamphlet from VPIT regarding Texas State’s high performance computational resources.