WHEREAS, the Chancellor's Office, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, issued a communication in Spring of 2020 regarding possible considerations and options regarding Credit/No Credit grading that could be implemented without violating Title 5 requirements or Cal State University Executive Orders, and

WHEREAS, Cal Poly, following the recommendation of the Academic Senate Executive Committee, suspended the 16-unit limit for Credit / No Credit grading as well as the 4-unit limit for General Education Courses in Spring and Summer Quarters 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Cal Poly Academic Senate passed AS-902-20, extending the same policy into Fall 2020, and

WHEREAS, colleges, in consultation with academic departments, determined which major and support courses would be exempt from the Credit / No Credit unit limits, and

WHEREAS, Cal Poly's administration has signaled that most courses will be offered virtually in AY 2020-2021 due to COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, faculty and students will likely be in a virtual course environment because of state and local health guidelines and thereby separated from their typical campus settings for learning; therefore, be it

RESOLUTION ON SUSPENDING CREDIT/NO CREDIT GRADING RESTRICTIONS FOR AY 2020-2021 IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Impact on Existing Policy: Temporary suspension of AS-479-97/CC "Resolution on Credit / No Credit Grading" during Winter 2020 and Spring 2020; extension of AS-902-20 "Resolution On Suspending Credit/No Credit Grading Restrictions for Fall Quarter 2020 in Response to COVID-19"
RESOLVED: Courses taken in AY 2020-2021 will not count toward the 16-unit limit as specified in “Resolution on Credit / No Credit Grading” (AS 479-97), and be it further

RESOLVED: The 4-unit Credit/No Credit limit for General Education courses be suspended through AY 2020-2021, and be it further

RESOLVED: Any changes to the 4-unit Credit/No Credit limit regarding major or support courses for AY 2020-2021 shall continue to be determined by the individual academic programs, and be it further

RESOLVED: Through AY 2020-2021 Cal Poly allow students to change their grading basis to Credit/No Credit until the last day of instruction.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: November 3, 2020
MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Response to AS-906-20 Resolution on Suspending Credit/No Credit Grading Restrictions for AY 2020-2021 in Response to COVID-19

I am pleased to acknowledge and support the above-entitled Academic Senate resolution. I appreciate the responsiveness of the Academic Senate to address the concern regarding the transcript notation previously included in AS-902-20 and voting to remove that clause.

Please extend my thanks to the Academic Senate for their attention to this matter.