



## Resolution In Support of Student Withdrawals and Waiving EO 1037

**Whereas:** the novel Coronavirus pandemic of 2020 has disrupted all aspects of faculty, student, and staff lives; and

**Whereas:** CSUF has shifted to virtual instruction very quickly; and

**Whereas:** Virtual instruction was not the modality that many students and faculty chose for their educational experiences; and

**Whereas:** A pandemic constitutes a documented serious and compelling reason for withdrawal; and

**Whereas:** WUs are considered a failing grade and are earned when students do not withdraw and failed to complete the course of study and, in the opinion of the instructor, there was not enough information to make an evaluation of academic performance possible; and

**Whereas:** Executive Order 1037 limits undergraduates to 18 semester units of withdrawal; and

**Whereas:** We are in extraordinary times and as faculty, staff, and administrators, we should adopt the principle "*primum non nocere*", first do no harm; therefore, be it

**Resolved:** That the COVID-19 pandemic is a documented serious and compelling reason and faculty and department chairs shall approve all requested non-medical withdrawals submitted prior to the final 20% period of instruction; and be it further

**Resolved:** That all WUs be converted to Ws for the spring 2020; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the CSUF Academic Senate request that the CSU Chancellor's office allow CSUF not to count withdrawals received during the spring of 2020 count towards the 18-unit limit; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the Academic Senate recognizes the Provost and the Division of Academic Affairs for their collaboration and assistance in crafting this resolution; and be it finally

**Resolved:** That copies of this resolution be sent to the CSU Chancellor, CSUF President, Provost and the ASI President.

Source: Executive Committee