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Enrollment Advisory No. 2022-02

1. Background

On August 29, 2022, the UP Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs (OVPA) released the OVPA Memo No. 2022-127 which states that:

The following academic rules/policies, suspended since the Second Semester AY 2019-2020, will now be in force effective AY 2022-2023:

- Academic delinquency rules - warning, probation, dismissal, permanent disqualification
- Degree program retention rules
- Maximum Residency Rule (MRR)
- Prerequisites (including the University policy on waiver of prerequisites)
- The grading system (The No-Fail Policy is lifted.)
- Deadline for dropping and leave of absence
- Attendance (The faculty may adopt different attendance requirements considering their student's lack of or poor internet access.)

2. Four-Sem Rule

According to the UPSE Undergraduate Primer:

A student must pass Econ 106 and Econ 131 within four (4) semesters from first enrolling in either Econ 101 or Econ 102, inclusive of the semester of first enrollment in either subject. Failure to comply with this scholastic delinquency rule will result in a student's dismissal from the School of Economics. (p. 16)

In line with the OVPA Memo No. 2022-127, the Four-Sem Rule in UPSE will also be **re-activated starting the First Semester, AY 2022-2023**. This means that students who will take Econ 101 and/or Econ 102 starting the First Semester of AY 2022-2023 will be covered by the rule.

Those who took Econ 101 and/or Econ 102 during the semesters when the Four-Sem Rule was suspended (i.e., Second Semester AY 2019-2020 to Second Semester, AY 2021-2022), will remain exempted from the rule. However, they are still advised to complete Econ 106 and Econ 131 as soon as possible so that they can enlist in higher Econ subjects that require these courses as prerequisites, especially Econ 199.