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Dear prospective CSE Majors:

Please take a few minutes to carefully read through the entire following important announcement from the CSE department. You may have heard about the recent decisions from the UC San Diego Divisional Senate to adopt one-time exceptions regarding P/NP and S/U grades, as well as extending several deadlines.

The main changes are:

P/NP Grades:

- P/NP grades taken during Spring 2020 will not count towards the 25% cap on P/NP (P/NP courses will be removed from both the numerator and denominator in this calculation).
- Students will be able to select P/NP (and S/U) grades through the end of the 10th week.
- Instructors may not require that students enroll on a P/NP or S/U basis in courses that currently allow letter grades.
- The Department of Computer Science & Engineering will allow courses for the CSE Capped Admissions Program to be taken P/NP for Spring 2020 only. (See below for details.)

Deadlines:

- The add deadline is extended to the end of Week 3.
- The drop deadline, without a W, is extended to the end of Week 5.
- The undergraduate drop deadline, with a W, is extended to the end of Week 7.

Details: CSE eligibility/screening courses in which students receive a "Pass" may count towards the CSE Capped Admissions application, even though that course is not taken for a letter grade. This exception will be in effect for CSE screening courses completed in Spring 2020 only. Please note that students must still meet the 3.3 GPA requirement. This means that applicants must have taken at least one of the CSE screening courses for a letter grade at UCSD to qualify. Additionally, if a student's current screening GPA is under 3.3, they will need to take one or more screening courses in the present and/or future quarters for a letter grade to improve their GPA in the screening courses. Students who do not meet the 3.3 screening GPA at the time of the application review will be deemed ineligible and that application will still count as one of the two applications permitted.

Additionally, before you decide on completing your Spring 2020 courses for P/NP, be sure to consider your personal situation and whether it will negatively affect any financial aid, VA benefits, scholarships, graduate school application, job applications, course motivation, etc. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our advising staff via the Virtual Advising Center (VAC, vac.ucsd.edu).

Sincerely,
Undergraduate Committee
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