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Senate Resolution JR-03S-1664 UNF Department of Computer and Information Sciences Satisfactory Progress Policy

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Whereas: The Student Government of the University of North Florida was established to represent student concerns in all University wide matters, and;

Whereas: The Department of Computer and Information Sciences (CIS) has adopted a policy that potentially threatens the well being of students in the College of Computing Sciences and Engineering, and;

Whereas: The Department of Computer and Information Sciences’ Satisfactory Progress Policy groups W, WP, WF, D, and F as “attempts” and requires all CIS students to successfully complete all prerequisite and core-requisite courses with no more than two “attempts”, and;

Whereas: Any students not successfully meeting this requirement are no longer allowed to enroll in courses offered by the Department of Computer and Information Sciences, thus removing them from the department and program of study, and;

Whereas: The policy could potentially adversely affect the university retention rate by forcing students interested in the discipline to pursue a similar degree at a different institution, and;

Whereas: The policy does not comply with the university withdrawal policy that grants students the right to withdrawal from courses, and;

Whereas: The Department of Computer and Information Sciences claims the policy is adopted to maintain a strong student population, to reduce the number of students on waitlists, and to prevent students from liberaly withdrawing from courses, and;

Therefore: Let it be resolved that the University of North Florida Student Government believes that the Department of Computer and Information Sciences should reconsider its policy, and grant students their right to withdrawals, complying to the university policy, and;

Further: Let it be further resolved by the University of North Florida Student Government that copies of the passed resolution be sent to the Vice President for Student and International Affairs, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the University President.

PASSED / VETOED / LINE-ITEM VETOED on this 8th day of Apr., 2013.