**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

Semester Online (SON) Policy Statement

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**SEMESTER ONLINE AND THE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

a) SON courses will count in the GPA and earned units calculations.

b) When deemed appropriate by the College, SON credit will count as credit toward the 90 total ArtSci units required for the A.B.

c) Upper-level SON courses will count toward the 30 advanced units required for the A.B.

d) The awarding of credit toward a major or minor is at the discretion of the department or program. *The College Office will advise DUS's to treat SON courses as they would any other transfer course.*

e) With the exception of approved Arts & Sciences (LA) courses offered by A&S departments and programs, SON courses will not carry A&S attributes and will not fulfill A&S distribution requirements. *Students may petition for an exception to this policy prior to enrolling in a course.* *Any exception will require the approval of the Curriculum Committee.*

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**LEAVES, STUDY ABROAD, AND EQUIVALENT IN-RESIDENCE COURSES**

a) A student on a leave of absence from the University—including for medical reasons—may, under some limited circumstances, be permitted to take a course or courses through SON.

b) Students will not be permitted allowed to enroll in SON courses during their semester/year abroad. *An exceptions process will be in place to deal with unusual cases. Petitions for exceptions will require the approval of the major department, the College, and the Curriculum Committee.*

c) Students will not be permitted to enroll in courses for which an equivalent is offered on campus. *An exceptions process will be in place to consider those rare occasions where this might be in a student's interest (e.g., graduation on the line).*