From: Committee on Academic Policy (Prof. Pavlov, Chair)

<u>Motion</u>: The Committee on Academic Policy (CAP) recommends, and I move to give undergraduate students the option to receive a Pass/NR grade for any course during C 2022, D 2022 and E 2022 terms.

This motion ONLY applies to undergraduate students.

- 1. Students will have the option for one week after grades are posted to request that their grade for any individual course would be either P (Pass) or NR. This means grades of A/B/C would become P. Courses assigned a P grade will count towards degree requirements. After this deadline, students will neither be able to take advantage of this option nor reverse their decision.
- 2. The current "Grade/Change" process/paperwork shall disallow any attempt to have a faculty member change an existing grade to a P or to change a P grade to an A/B/C grade.

Rationale:

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the March 26, 2020 joint COG/CAP motion introduced the P grade for D-term 2020. In the May 13, 2020 motion, that grading policy was extended for the summer 2020 courses.

In response to the existing mental health crisis at WPI and upon the recommendation of the Mental Health & Well-Being Task Force (see its Report released on January 19, 2022), the current motion seeks to reintroduce the Pass/NR grading option for undergraduate students taking courses in C 2022, D 2022 and summer 2022 terms.

The registrar's office will provide a system for students to record their intentions and will announce to the campus when the system is ready to be used.