**Proposal for Automatic Linkage between Pre- and Post-Requisite Course Registration**

Submitted by the Academic Practices Committee, 3/24/16

***Whereas***, many courses throughout the College’s programs have pre-requisites, and

***Whereas***, there currently exists a loophole whereby students can remain registered for post-requisite courses even after failing to pass the relevant pre-requisite (due to their ability to register for post-reqs while still taking pre-reqs the previous semester), and

***Whereas***, this situation puts students who have failed pre-requisite courses at an academic disadvantage in relevant post-requisite courses and undermines the verticality of program curricula, and

***Whereas***, correcting for this loophole on a case-by-case basis by post-requisite course instructors and the Registrar creates unnecessary and additional labor for both parties that could be reduced by the feasible introduction of appropriate programming into the registration system,

***Be It Resolved*** that the Office of the Registrar begin the process of implementing such programming as will automatically de-register students for post-requisite courses if and when they fail to pass the relevant pre-requisites, and

***Be It Further Resolved*** that notification to affected students of such de-registration will occur as soon as possible after their failure to pass relevant pre-reqs, and

***Be It Further Resolved*** that such automatic deregistration would not supersede instructors’ discretion to allow individual students to enroll in post-reqs despite incompletion of pre-reqs, based on consultation with the student and their judgment.