

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF THE STUDENT ASSEMBLY
October 5, 2015

Urging the College to institute an electronic course change form to streamline the add/drop procedure for students and faculty

RESOLUTION

Introduced – Conor Craven '18, Silvia Radulescu '17

WHEREAS the current process for adding/dropping a course at Hamilton requires a physical Course Change Form (Add/Drop) to be completed and turned in to the Registrar's Office; and

WHEREAS each student must collect signatures from: his or her advisor, the professor whose class is being dropped, and the professor whose class is being added; and

WHEREAS this places an unnecessary burden on both students in the collection of the signatures as well as faculty in their arranging to meet with students to sign the forms; and

WHEREAS in a Student Assembly sponsored, campus-wide survey of Hamilton College students and faculty, the results demonstrated that 95% of participants prefer the implementation of an electronic Course Change Form over the current process; and

WHEREAS students acknowledge that faculty members utilize the current paper system to exercise discretion when adding students to their courses and that the most necessary change is in electronic Course Drop and advisor signatures; and

WHEREAS 6 out of 10 of Hamilton College's NESCAC peer institutions utilize some form of electronic Add/Drop procedure: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Central Council of the Student Assembly:

- (1) Urges the implementation of an electronic Course Change Form.

Approved by the Central Council of the Student Assembly on October 5, 2015.