Subject: Modification of Graduate Catalog – Commencement/Hooding Exemption

WHEREAS, the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) Graduate Council acts as a council of advisors to the Dean of the Graduate School providing recommendations to be considered for adoption.

WHEREAS, the UAA Graduate Catalog of section of concern currently states has no existing content on the proposed policy.

WHEREAS, changes are required to the existing catalog to better describe current practice as described currently on graduate school website.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE GRADUATE COUNCIL RESOLVES:

The Graduate Catalog section shall be revised to:

Commencement and Hooding Ceremony Walk-Through Exemption Policy (New)
To participate in Commencement and the Hooding Ceremony before all degree requirements have been met, student must have essentially completed all degree requirements. Whereas “essentially completed” is defined as:

1) completion of all required tests, course work, and thesis/project defense (with a Pass grade, only) prior to Commencement and/or the Hooding Ceremony; and

2) submission of fully signed “Request for Commencement & Hooding Ceremony Walk-Thru Request Form” to the Graduate School by April 15th or December 1st, depending upon graduation date. This form certifies any required revisions to the project or thesis/dissertation, or completion of the internship will be completed by July 31st for May or March 1st for December walk-through exemption.

Passed and approved by the University of Alaska Anchorage Graduate Council on this 26th day of January 2018.

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