


## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** University Faculty

**FROM:** Dean Libutti, Ed. D.   
Interim Vice Provost for Enrollment Management

**DATE:** August 12, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Important Campus Deadlines

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As you prepare for the start of the new semester, I would like to call your attention to some important dates listed below. Policies associated with adding and dropping courses are stated in the *University Manual* (Sections: 8.33.11 and 8.34.10 ([www.uri.edu/facsen/8.30-8.46.html](http://www.uri.edu/facsen/8.30-8.46.html))).

To summarize the approved Faculty Senate policy for the upcoming add period (8.33.11):

- The first 7 days in e-Campus is the Open Add Period. This time is designed to allow students to register using e-Campus if a seat is available and pre-requisites are met for a given course.
- An additional 7 calendar-day Late Add Period in e-Campus shall allow students the opportunity to add courses via permission numbers. This time is designed to allow a conversation between the student and the appropriate Faculty member / Department / Deans Office to determine if it is appropriate to add the course during that time frame. If it is decided to allow registration, permission numbers will be required for any course during these 7 days.

Please note that permission numbers will work for the entire add period. The last day to add, and to use a permission number is September 21, 2010.

In both your formal and informal role as advisors, please remind students of these important dates ([www.uri.edu/es/calexams/detailedcalendar.pdf](http://www.uri.edu/es/calexams/detailedcalendar.pdf)).

**Wednesday, September 8: First day of classes**

**Important Note for Fall 2010:** September 8 is also the beginning of Rosh HaShanah, the Jewish New Year, which continues on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 9 and 10. Undoubtedly, students and faculty may feel conflicted about deciding whether to miss classes during the very first week of school so they can celebrate the holiday. Amy Olson, Executive Director of URI Hillel and many others are encouraging students to be proactive and notify faculty if they will be missing class in observance of this holiday. Thank you for working with students who have this conflict and for working with your department or Dean's Office for coverage if you will be missing class due to the observance of this holiday.

November 3, 2010: Last day for students to drop courses via e-campus.

Encourage students to talk to an advisor or faculty member before dropping a course. It is essential that students understand the many implications of dropping a class, including a possible loss of financial aid if they drop below full-time, a delay in graduation, or being off sequence if the course is a prerequisite.

Please note that the *University Manual* ([www.uri.edu/facsen/8.30-8.46.html](http://www.uri.edu/facsen/8.30-8.46.html)) allows faculty to drop students who miss the first two classes and have not notified the instructor of their intention to attend.

*8.33.13 Students not attending courses in which they enrolled have the obligation to drop those courses before the drop deadline. Names of students who are absent from the first and second class meetings of a course and **who do not notify the course instructor of their intention to attend future class meetings** may be submitted by the course instructor and/or the department chairperson to the Office of Enrollment Services for deletion from the class roster. If the instructor does not exercise this option, the student remains enrolled in the course unless s/he drops it through regular procedures*

Fees will be adjusted in accordance with the University's billing adjustment and refund policy, which is pro-rated beginning on September 8. The refund schedule can be seen at [www.uri.edu/es/students/bill/billadjrefundinfo.html](http://www.uri.edu/es/students/bill/billadjrefundinfo.html).

For other helpful information please visit the faculty section on the enrollment services website at [www.uri.edu/es/menus/faculty.html](http://www.uri.edu/es/menus/faculty.html).

Best wishes for an enjoyable and productive semester.

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c: Academic Deans