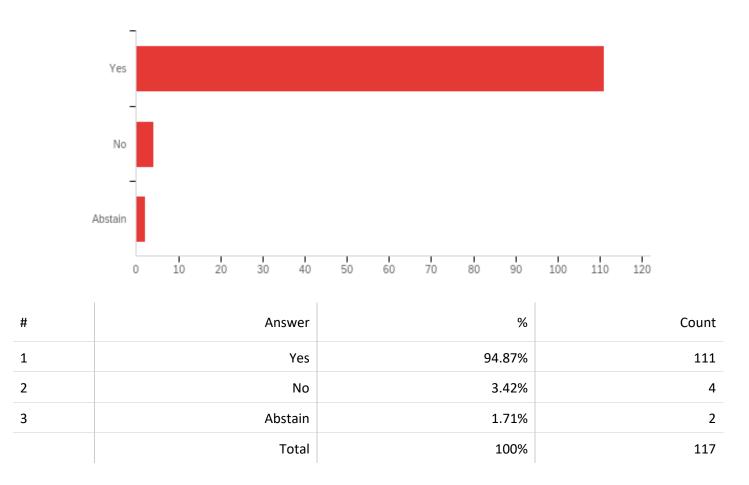
Senate Vote Dec 2023

Q1 - Are you in favor of the proposed resolution to eliminate a transcript notation for a grade of incomplete when the instructor has substituted another grade?



Comments

This is a complex issue. Originally I thought this to be a no-brainer, but I have subsequently learned of the skyrocketing of INC notations, many for students just wanting more time, or in many cases, the use of SDS accommodation. There is understand at the Assoc Dean's Council about this and the need for modernizing forms and record keeping about this. I would rather see the back office stuff get completed and then a clean resolution come forward on the INC issue...once we have the systems in place to equitably implement it. I am not concerned that we are an outlier in the Ivy League...we should do what is best for us given where we are.

While I voted yes, there is a clear need for cleaning up the provisions and understanding of when an incomplete is an acceptable option. I believe there needs to be a future resolution on clarifying faculty expectations and options for those requirements.

Before this resolution can be approved I think the overarching dilemma around the overuse of INC by faculty and the request by SDS students should be addressed.

I am in favor of the resolution.

We need definitions of "circumstances beyond control" and "passing equity", so that instructors can say "no" to requests that are attempting to game the system. Such requests became much more common (in my experience) after the lenient policies during pandemic.