Dear ECE Students,

You may have heard about the recent decisions from the UC San Diego Divisional Senate to adopt one-time exceptions regarding P/NP and S/U grades, as well as to extend several deadlines. Details can be found here.

In addition to the temporary changes to UC San Diego Senate regulations relating to grading options and enrollment deadlines, the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering will allow courses taken P/NP in SP20 to count towards ECE degree requirements. Students can choose to take major requirements for a letter grade or for P/NP. You are free to choose the grading option that works best for you in SP20. Any course required for the major in which a student earns a grade of C- or higher or a grade of P will count towards the major. This exception will be in effect for SP20 only.

In addition, for SP20 only, the deadline for undergraduate and graduate students to register on a P/NP or S/U basis has been extended to the end of the tenth week of instruction.

The main Senate changes regarding grading options and deadlines are summarized below.

Thank you,
The ECE Department

P/NP and S/U Grades

• P/NP grades taken during Spring 2020 will not count towards the 25% cap on P/NP (P/NP courses will be removed from both the numerator and denominator in this calculation).
• Students will be able to select P/NP (and S/U) grades through the end of the 10th week.
• The Senate Council allows academic units to relax course- and program-specific letter-grade requirements; indeed, the Senate Council encourages that these requirements be relaxed.
• Instructors may not require that students enroll on a P/NP or S/U basis in courses that currently allow letter grades

Deadlines:

• The add deadline is extended to the end of Week 3.
• The drop deadline, without a W, is extended to the end of Week 5.
• The undergraduate drop deadline, with a W, is extended to the end of Week 7.
• Undergraduates may petition to drop a class or withdraw from the University after the end of week 7 and by the end of Week 10 for emergency reasons. These petitions are decided by the college provost.