

## **Requested Follow up on Reading Graduation Requirement-George Bradshaw**

1. **READING PROFICIENCY:** Can you help us to determine how many students take the READ 90 course to meet the requirement. Additionally, how many students retest in order to meet the requirement.

We might need some IT or IR intervention here to determine the timing of the tests relative to the timing of their eventual graduation or lack thereof.

2. **TAKING THE DRP:** When are students taking the DRP? Can we determine how many are taking it when they apply? How many students re-test?

According to Nico, in the years 2014-2018 there have been 27,175 who have taken the DRP. Of that number 404 or 1.8% have retested at some point.

3. **Course Variances:** A question arose about how long a department-approved course variance lasts. Your experience?

Although the variance request form includes a box that indicates that a variance can be approved for one time only or for “four years”, operationally the reality is that there is no upper limit on the years of the approval. When the form was originally developed, the idea was that the equivalencies would be reviewed every four years. This was a term length that was requested by the Academic Senate. However, to my knowledge there has not been any expressed desire in recent times to revisit that equivalency approval process. As such, once the course is marked approved for 4 years, A&R updates our information to reflect that approval and every subsequent student that come with the same course, from the same campus, in the same time frame would be afforded the same equivalency.