Important Notice on Culminating Experience Continuous Enrollment Requirement Enacted by Academic Senate Spring 2008

This requirement applies to all students admitted or re-admitted for Fall 2008 or later

Enrolling in your Culminating Experience is your final step toward completing your degree. Once you enroll in your Culminating Experience course, you are expected to complete your degree within two semesters. Following the semester you enroll in your Culminating Experience (CE) course, you are not required to enroll in the subsequent “grace” semester while completing your CE. If you do not complete your CE after the semester of enrollment and the subsequent semester, you are required to enroll in the Culminating Experience Continuous Enrollment course offered through the College of Extended Learning (CEL). Enrollment in the CEL CE course provides students access to SFSU libraries, discipline-associated laboratories and facilities, and CE advisors.

For example, if you enroll in your Culminating Experience course in Spring 2010, you are permitted to continue your work through the Fall 2010 semester without enrolling. However, if you do not complete your Culminating Experience by the end of the Fall 2010 grace semester, you must enroll in the CEL course in Spring 2011, and each semester following, until you earn your degree.

Each College has a Culminating Experience Continuous Enrollment course on the CEL schedule under your department’s college name, with the course number 0499. For example, if you are in Biology, you will need to enroll in CEL under Science and Engineering, course number 0499. Note that enrolling in the CEL Culminating Experience Continuous Enrollment course is significantly less costly than enrolling part time though the regular university semester.

If you do not maintain continuous enrollment, and wish to return to complete the degree, you will need to retroactively enroll in the CEL course for each semester following the grace semester, and pay all applicable fees.

Please keep in mind that the 7-year time limit, from earliest course in your degree program to date of graduation, still applies.

For more detailed information please refer to Academic Senate Policy S08-246

Note: To satisfy the CE Continuous Enrollment requirement you may choose to enroll through regular University as opposed to enrolling in 499 through CEL until the completion of your degree.