PROVOST INSTRUCTION 1531.40

From: Provost

Subj: ACADEMIC REVIEW COUNCIL

1. Purpose. To establish the procedures for the Academic Review Council (ARC).

2. Background. The Academic Review Council (ARC) is the leadership board that explores academic deficiencies among select fourth class midshipmen after their first semester at USNA. The intent of the Academic Review Council is to communicate concerns with the midshipman’s academic record, and to provide resources and assistance to address any causal factors. Fourth Class Midshipman who have a SQPR of 1.5 or below, and who will not be seen at the Academic Board, will appear before the ARC.

3. Action.

   a. The members of the ARC are the: Deputy Commandant, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs, Dean of Student Academic Development, Deputy Director of UpperClass Advising, and Deputy Director of First-year Advising. The Assistant Athletic Director, Academics will normally also attend and provide relevant recommendations and articulate academic support that may impact athletic practices to coaches.

   b. The ARC sessions will be held in the Commandant’s Conference Room at the time and date coordinated by the Aptitude for Commission Program Office and the Deputy Director of First-Year Advising. Typically they will occur early in the Spring semester before the 6-week Academic Reserve period.

   c. The midshipman’s Company Officer or Senior Enlisted Leader (preferably both) shall accompany their midshipmen to the ARC. Uniform for the midshipman concerned is service dress blues. The Uniform for the chain of command is the uniform of the day.

   d. Midshipmen should be prepared to address their academic difficulties, and be equipped and prepared to take copious notes.

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