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TO: University Undergraduate Programs Committee FROM: Mark Harvey, Chair, UPC, DFSCOAL DATE: December 6, 2017 SUBJECT: CAPS Statement

The Undergraduate Programs Committee of the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters requests that information regarding the FAU's Counseling and Psychological Services <u>be included</u> in syllabi for all university course syllabi beginning with the Fall 2018 semester. This suggestion arose after the Department of Theatre and Dance tragically lost one of its recent graduates to suicide. The department's UPC representative reported to the committee that Blaise Amendolace and his staff at CAPS were immeasurably helpful in guiding their students and faculty through an extremely difficult time. In conjunction with Dr. Amendolace, we have composed and propose the following statement be included with the Academic Integrity and SAS statements:

Life as a university student can be challenging physically, mentally and emotionally. Students who find stress negatively affecting their ability to achieve academic or personal goals may wish to consider utilizing FAU's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center. CAPS provides FAU students a range of services -- individual counseling, support meetings, and psychiatric services, to name a few -- offered to help improve and maintain emotional well-being. For more information, go to <u>http://www.fau.edu/counseling/</u>

While many of our students feel free to avail themselves of the offerings at Student Health Services when they suffer physical issues, they may hesitate to address mental health issues with the same diligence. To that end, we'd like to ensure they are aware of CAPS presence on campus in a way that is straightforward and readily accessible.

Thank you for considering our proposal.

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