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PROPOSED
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A student must submit the audit petition form no later than the end of the fifteenth day of instruction. Summer/Winter session deadlines are prorated according to the length of the session.

RATIONALE
1. Adds a clear audit request deadline similar to that for electing the pass-fail option, removing uncertainty about approval timeline.

2. Because audit requests generally happen after course registration, the normal course registration procedures are adequate for managing course capacity and load balancing, so department chair permission is not needed for electing audit status.

3. EdPol consensus is that the course instructor should be aware and approve admitting auditors in order to ensure adequate student participation in class, and that advisors should be aware as a check that students do not mistakenly audit a course they might need to satisfy curriculum requirements; students may only audit a course outside of their curriculum.

Note: RAS confirms such petitions are relatively rare. EdPol recommends changes to current general practice of the RAS, which has required students to send all audit requests through SOS, inconsistent with R&P. EdPol believes these decisions should not rise to SOS, but rather rest at the department level, where local conditions should guide approvals.