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## Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #77-78-4: Sections 8.39.70 and 8.62.18 of the University Manual

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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE  
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

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UNIVERSITY OF R. I.  
MAY 1 1978  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TO: President Frank Newman  
FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report  
#77-78-4: Sections 8.39.70 and 8.62.18 of the University Manual

is forwarded for your consideration.

- 2. The original and two copies for your use are included.
- 3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on April 27, 1978 (date)
- 4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on May 18, 1978 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

April 28, 1978  
(date)

[Signature]

Chairman of the Faculty Senate

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ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate  
FROM: President of the University

- 1. Returned.
- 2. Approved ✓ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Regents is not/is necessary.

5/18/78  
(date)

[Signature]  
President

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MAY 15 1978  
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
FACULTY SENATE

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ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents

FROM: The University President

- 1. Forwarded.
- 2. Approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_ President

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ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

- 1. Forwarded.

\_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Office)

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ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

- 1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

\_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_ President

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Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

\_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman of the Faculty Senate

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE  
REPORT #77-78-4

April 11, 1978

BACKGROUND:

On advice of the University Registrar, the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee has recently reviewed University Manual regulations concerning auditors (8.39.70 and 8.62.18). The existing Manual sections do not provide a definition of 'auditor' and as a consequence, in some circumstances it is unclear whether a given individual should be charged a fee for auditing. Furthermore, although present regulations state that an auditor can "take no part in the exercise of the class," the Committee agreed that the degree of participation allowed an auditor ought to be at the discretion of the course instructor. The recommendations below address both of these points.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee recommends:

- 1) that existing University Manual section 8.39.70 be replaced by the proposed section 8.39.70 as indicated below:

Existing 8.39.70

An auditor may be admitted to class with the consent of the instructor and a card of admission from the Registrar, provided he takes no part in the exercises of the class, such as recitations, discussions or tests. He shall have no record in the office of the Registrar.

Proposed 8.39.70

An auditor is any person who has permission to attend a course but is not taking the course for credit. An auditor may be admitted to a class on a space-available basis with the consent of the instructor as indicated by the instructor's signature on an audit authorization form that must be filed in the office of the Registrar. An auditor's name shall not appear on official class rosters, on the grade report, or on the permanent academic record. Auditors shall be charged no fees for auditing a class.

- 2) that existing University Manual section 8.62.18 be deleted. (N.B. If proposed 8.39.70 is adopted, existing 8.62.18 would be unnecessary.)

Existing 8.62.18

An auditor under the provision of 8.39.70 shall be charged no fee.

*The course instructor shall determine the extent to which an auditor may participate in class activities.*