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Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #77-78-5: Sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 of the University Manual

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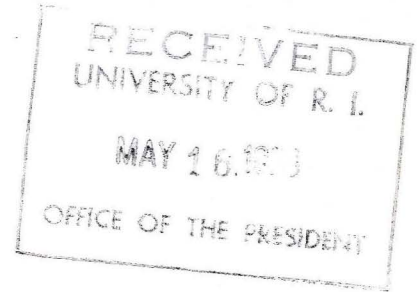
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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate



TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #77-78-5: Sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 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 May 11, 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 June 1, 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.

May 12, 1978
(date)

Robert M. Gutchen
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

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.

5/17/78
(date)

President

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MAY 18 1978

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
FACULTY SENATE

(OVER)

ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

(date)

President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

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

1. Forwarded.

(date)

(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

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

(date)

President

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
FACULTY SENATE

ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE
REPORT # 77-78-5
April 17, 1978

ACADEMIC STANDARDS & CALENDAR COMMITTEE
Report #77-78-5)

Proposed 8.10.12)

C = 2.0 points
C- = 1.7 points
D+ = 1.3 points
D = 1.0 points
F = 0 points

BACKGROUND:

Among the Commission on Undergraduate Education (CUE) recommendations that this committee has reviewed this year are CUE 33.11 and CUE 36.2. The first calls for a modification of the present grading system by adopting the use of plus and minus grades. The second recommends that the University raise its minimum quality point average required for graduation from 2.0 to 2.25. This committee agrees with the Commission that the present grading system allows too few levels of discrimination; hence, it is bringing this recommendation before the Senate for action. However, it is the opinion of this committee that it would be unwise to adopt both of these measures simultaneously since changing the grading system may have a significant lowering effect on grade point averages. There is no certainty that this would happen, but any effect a change in the grading system would have on student averages can only be conjectured at this time. Hence, this Committee is recommending that action on this measure be postponed until after the new grading system has been in effect for two years.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee recommends:

- 1) that existing University Manual sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 be replaced by proposed sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 as indicated below:

Existing 8.10.11

Student grades shall be reported as A, B, C, D, F. These marks shall represent the following standing:

A -- Superior
B -- Good, above average
but not superior
C -- Average
D -- Low grade, below average,
passing
F -- Failure

Existing 8.10.12

Grades shall be given quality point values as follows:

A = 4 points
B = 3 points
C = 2 points
D = 1 point
F = 0 points

Proposed 8.10.11

Student grades shall be reported as A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, F. The unqualified letter grades shall represent the following standing:

A -- Superior
B -- Good
C -- Fair
D -- Low grade, passing
F -- Failure

Proposed 8.10.12

Grades shall be given quality point values as follows:

A = 4.0 points
A- = 3.7 points
B+ = 3.3 points
B = 3.0 points
B- = 2.7 points
C+ = 2.3 points

~~2) that existing University Manual sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 be replaced by proposed sections 8.10.11 and 8.10.12 as indicated below:~~
~~Student grades shall be reported as A, B, C, D, F. These marks shall represent the following standing:~~
~~A -- Superior~~
~~B -- Good, above average~~
~~but not superior~~
~~C -- Average~~
~~D -- Low grade, below average,~~
~~passing~~
~~F -- Failure~~

at the same time the new student record system goes into effect (1980-81)

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