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5.	In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on <u>December 4, 1980</u> (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.									
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- 10. Chairperson Swonger reported on the October 27 meeting with the RIC Faculty Council. He stated that the groups had agreed to draft a joint letter to Postsecondary Subcommittee Chairperson Nardone and the Academic Vice Presidents of the two institutions stating that the two groups should be involved in the resolution of the overlap issue.
- 11. Chairperson Swonger reported that he had received from the Registrar's Office information regarding trends in class sizes over the past five years. He stated that he planned to refer the materials to the Ad Hoc Committee on Large Classes.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Black Grubman

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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
FACULTY SENATE
ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE
REPORT # 80-81-1
October 16, 1980

BACKGROUND:

Last year a report was prepared by the Student Record System Steering Group (an administrative committee) which calls for substantial changes in the way non-matriculated and part-time students are handled by the University.* The report was discussed and approved in principle by the Council of Deans and was discussed and approved with minor reservations by the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee. Implementation of the recommendations made in the report would require major revisions and additions to the University Manual. The recommendations made below extract the essence of SRS Steering Group report and would, if adopted, charge approppriate committees with the task of rewriting.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee recommends: 1) that the definitions, policies, and administrative procedures which follow be adopted; 2) that the Constitution By-laws and University Manual Committee, with the assistance of the Registrar and the Registrar's Advisory Council be charged with editorially adjusting University Manual paragraphs as necessary to make them consistent with these provisions; and 3) that the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate be charged with reviewing these changes prior to their incorporation into the University Manual.

1. Definitions.

MATRICULATING

A mariculating student is a student who has been formally admitted to a degree program by the Director of Undergraduate Admissions or The Dean of the Graduate School and is enrolled as either full-time or part-time. A matriculating student has full privileges as a student at the University of Rhode Island.

NON-MATRICULATING

A non-matriculating student is a student who: 1) has not been admitted to a degree program; 2) is enrolled as either full-time or part-time; 3) has limited privileges as a student.

* Copies of the original SRS Report are available in the Senate Office

2. Policies.

- a) That non-matriculating students be identified, for registration purposes, only by whether or not they possess a Bachelor's degree (The term "special" student shall no longer be used.
- b) That undergraduate as well as graduate non-matriculating students be permitted to register as part-time or fulltime non-matriculating students without any prior approval or screening process.
- c) That undergraduate as well as graduate matriculating students be allowed to enroll for less than 12 hours without any prior approval.
- d) That the number of terms, as well as credit, non-credit, or CEU courses in which a student may enroll as a non-matriculating student be unlimited.
- e) That non-matriculating students be seated last in all courses according to procedures determined by the Registrar.
- f) That non-matriculating students be required to fulfill all prerequisites for any course(s) in which they enroll.
- g) That departments or colleges may prohibit non-matriculating students from enrolling in specific courses or programs because of space or accreditation reasons. In all other courses, faculty members may decide whether or not a nonmatriculating student is qualified to take his/her course.
- h) That undergraduate non-matriculating students shall be prohibited from enrolling in 500 and 600 level courses.

3. Administrative Control.

a) That all academic departments and dean's offices shall provide academic counseling for non-matriculating students taking credit courses or those who wish to pursue a degree. The Division of University Extension shall provide counseling for students taking non-credit or CEU courses and act as liaison and referral agent for students taking credit courses. The Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions Offices shall provide general administrative and academic counseling.

b) That the Graduate School be responsible for the administrative control of non-matriculating students in the following categories: i) Persons holding a Bachelor's degree who wish to earn initial or permanent certification to teach or to fulfill other state certification requirements; ii) Persons who have applied to the Graduate School for degree status but are placed by the Dean into permanent non-degree status for the purpose of remedial, prerequisite or "trial" enrollment; iii) Post-Doctoral students; iv) Persons pursuing Nurse Practitioner certificates; v) Persons seeking state Pharmacy license. All other nonmatriculating students at Extension or Kingston shall be under the administrative control of the Dean of University Extension. Administrative control of Kingston non-matriculating students shall be exercised through the Summer Session Office at Kingston.

- J. Abbate
- J. Demitroff
- A. Gaines
- T. Harrington (Std.)
- J. Kowalski, Chairman
- W. Mensel
- J. Morello
- M.E. Pechalski (Std
- J. Sheehan