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BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

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JUN 4 1973

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TO: President Werner A. Baum
FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled GRADUATE CREDIT BY EXAMINATION OR EQUIVALENT FOR PRE MASTER'S PROGRAM EXPERIENCE.

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 5/31/73 (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 6/21/73 (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.

June 1, 1973

(date)

Maury Klein /s/
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

Maury Klein

ENDORSEMENT 1.

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 necessary.

6/4/73

(date)

Werner A. Baum /s/

President

(OVER)

ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.

2. Approved.

_____/s/
(date) President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

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

1. Forwarded.

_____/s/
(date) _____
(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

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

_____/s/
(date) President

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

_____/s/
(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate

After a number of editorial changes it was moved, seconded and voted that the proposal be approved as follows:

To add the following provisions as Sec IVG of the Graduate Student Manual (Between present Sec IV F Intellectual Opportunity Plan and Sec V RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS- page 7 of 1972 edition):

G. Credit by Examination or Equivalent

In master's programs only a maximum of six credits may be allowed for competency based on experience outside the traditional academic setting and demonstrated by examination or equivalent. This maximum of six credits must fit within an overall maximum of 12 credits including program credit allowed for advanced standing and transfer credit, if any. (See SEC IIIC of this Manual.) The competency for which credit is allowed must be demonstrated by: (1) passing with a grade of "B" or better a written proficiency examination (which may be the final examination of an existing course) prepared by the instructor of an existing course most analogous or relevant to the experience, as determined by the chairman of the department in which it is offered in consultation with the instructor. This course must be at the 500, 600, or 900 level, except for 900 level courses designated as not for graduate credit; or (2) where no graduate level course offered by URI is analogous to the experience, submitting a well-researched paper, project or other evidence (but not just an oral examination, though an oral examination may form part of the procedure) which is certified by the chairman of the department most closely related to the subject matter as representing the equivalent of at least "B" quality work in a 500, 600 or 900 level (graduate credit) course. The advance approval of the Dean of the Graduate School is required for arrangements under this plan. Such arrangements must be made during the first semester after the student has been admitted to graduate study by the department chairman submitting a brief memorandum outlining the proposed procedure for the approval of the Dean. The department chairman may ask any member (s) of his department to assist him in this certification process, which may include an oral pre-screening where he considers it appropriate. Where the relevancy of a particular course or department area to the experience of the student is in doubt, the question will be resolved by the Dean of the Graduate School.

After the proposal is approved, the student will pay the required special examination fee to the Bursar and obtain a receipt which will be submitted to the Dean of the Graduate School along with the department chairman's written report of the results. Where the student has succeeded, the Dean of the Graduate School will request the Registrar to enter the appropriate number of credits on the student's transcript under the Department's Special Problems course number with a brief indication of the subject matter and the designation, "credit by examination or equivalent."

[It was noted that the Graduate Council has no authority to establish or set fees, but may recommend that they be established. If the above proposal is approved by the Council, the Faculty Senate, and the President, the establishment of the fee must be requested of the Board of Regents.]

Department chairman will normally ask the appropriate members of his department to assist him in the certification process.