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## Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #82-83-2: University Manual Sections on the Academic Calendar

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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE  
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #82-83-2: University Manual Sections on the Academic Calendar

\_\_\_\_\_ 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 March 10, 1983 (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 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on March 31, 1983 (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.

March 11, 1983  
(date)

James Findlay  
James Findlay  
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

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ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.
2. a. Approved           ✓          .
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_.

March 25, 1983  
(date)

F. Newman  
President

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND  
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

On February 24 and March 10, 1983, the Faculty Senate approved the addition of the following new sections 8.70.10 - 8.70.41 of the University Manual:

8.70.10 Preparation. In accordance with sections 8.70.20-41 the Registrar shall prepare each year's calendar and submit it to the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee for review prior to the end of the preceding October.

8.70.11 The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee shall submit the Calendar to the Faculty Senate at the Senate's first meeting in December.

8.70.12 Further adjustments to the Calendar may not be made on the floor of the Senate without initial referral back to the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee with instructions. The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee shall make their recommendations to the Faculty Senate.

8.70.13 Recommendations regarding rescheduling class days missed as the result of natural calamity, work stoppage, etc. shall be the responsibility of the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee, whose proposals will be subject to the approval of the Faculty Senate.

8.70.20 The Academic Year. The beginning and ending dates of each semester shall be the same for all colleges and schools of the University.

8.70.21 In the preparation of the calendar, fall semester registration shall be scheduled for the day after Labor Day. The spring semester shall have a minimum of 70 and a maximum of 75 class days excluding final examination week.

8.70.22 A minimum of two reading days shall be scheduled between the last day of classes and the first day of final examinations; as many as four reading days may be scheduled if the calendar permits. Saturdays and Sundays may be used as reading days.

8.70.23 A minimum of six days shall be scheduled for final examinations; eight days should be scheduled if the calendar permits. Saturdays and Sundays may be used as final examination days.

8.70.24 Whenever possible, there should be a uniform distribution of class days among the five week days.

8.70.25 Classes will not be scheduled on the following days:

Labor Day  
Thanksgiving Day and the day following  
Christmas Day  
New Year's Day  
George Washington's Birthday  
Memorial Day  
Independence Day

8.70.27 The calendar for the Summer Session shall be developed by the Dean of the College of Continuing Education.

8.70.30 The Fall Semester. The fall semester (including final examinations) must end no later than December 23.

8.70.40 The Spring Semester. Commencement shall be held on the weekend immediately preceding Memorial Day.

8.70.41 Midsemester break in the spring semester shall be the week immediately following mid-term.