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Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
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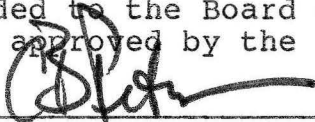
Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Edward D. Eddy

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Charge to and Membership of the Prior Learning Assessment Committee: Sections 5.40.10-11 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 September 22, 1988.
(date)
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Governors, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
5. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective October 13, 1988, 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 Governors for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Governors, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

September 23, 1988
(date)



C. B. Peters
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

- a. Approved _____.
- b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors _____.
- c. Disapproved _____.

✓ 9/30/88
(date)



President

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FACULTY SENATE

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ON THE PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE

September, 1988

The Executive Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the addition of the following new sections 5.40.10 - 5.40.11 to the University Manual:

5.40.10 The Prior Learning Assessment Committee shall identify and develop a comprehensive set of procedures for assessing students' prior learning. This committee shall work in conjunction with academic departments and colleges to prepare and present documentation on credit for prior learning through non-collegiate activity for review and decision by the Faculty Senate. The procedures developed shall include an appropriate reporting and review mechanism.

5.40.11 The membership shall comprise the members of the Registrar's Advisory Committee, a designee of the Faculty Senate Academic Standards and Calendar Committee and a designee of the Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee. The committee shall select its chairperson.

Background and Rationale:

On May 12, 1988, the Faculty Senate approved the establishment of the Prior Learning Assessment Committee as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee on Credit for Non Collegiate Activity. The new committee was charged to identify and develop a comprehensive set of procedures for assessing prior learning. Its membership to comprise representatives of the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Continuing Education, Human Sciences and Services, Nursing and Resource Development, and of the Offices of Admissions and the Registrar.

During the summer, the Executive Committee discussed the possibility of asking that some members of the Registrar's Advisory Committee which is currently comprised of representatives of the Colleges (assistant and associate deans) and the Offices of Admissions and the Registrar, to take on the responsibility of the Prior Learning Assessment Committee. Because the administration of a policy on the assessment of credit for prior learning for each college would be their responsibility, the members of the Registrar's Advisory Committee agreed that it would be appropriate to establish a subcommittee of their group to serve in this capacity. Since all of the members of the Registrar's Advisory Committee are administrators, the Executive Committee agreed that two faculty members representing the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee and the Curricular Affairs Committee should be added to the membership of the Prior Learning Assessment Committee.