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THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Edward D. Eddy

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar
Committee Report #1990-91-1: Calendar for 1992-93, 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 December 13, 1990
(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 January 3, 1991,
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.

December 14, 1990
(date)

Winifred Brownell
Winifred Brownell
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 _____.

Jan. 2, 1991
(date)

Edward D. Eddy
President

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE
REPORT #1990-91-1

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR FOR 1992-93

I. BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

During the fall semester 1990, the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee considered a number of issues with regard to the University Calendar. Among those were requests to move the day of Commencement from the week-end before Memorial Day, to restore the state holidays eliminated from the 1990-91 calendar and to retain an advising day in place of Registration Day. In addition, the constraint that the fall calendar begin after Labor Day and end no later than December 23 had to be taken into account for a year when Labor Day falls on the latest possible date, September 7.

With regard to changing the date for Commencement, the committee consulted the Registrar's Advisory Committee and the Chairperson spoke to Vice Provost Rosie, Dean Morrison, Dr. Knott, Ms. Moore and AAUP President Swonger. He also wrote to President Eddy, Provost Gitlitz, and Vice Presidents Kenerson, McCray and Kennard inviting comment on the proposed change in Commencement date. All of the parties who responded expressed generally positive feelings regarding the change and believed that the pros outweighed the cons.

With regard to retaining holidays in the fall semester given the limited time between Labor Day and December 23, the Academic Standards and Calendar Committee decided to propose that the last two class days follow a week-end and that final examinations be scheduled on a Saturday. It was agreed that the Saturday and Sunday before the last two days of classes could serve as informal reading days for students. With regard to concern that final examinations on Saturday might pose a religious problem for some faculty members and/or students, it was agreed after consultation that accommodations could be made to handle this matter for individual faculty members and section 8.51.11 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL makes provisions for students.

II. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the following:

1. That sections 8.70.22 and 8.70.23 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL be waived for the 1992-93 academic year to allow for only one week-day reading day and final exams on Saturday, December 19.

8.70.22 A minimum of two week-day reading days will be scheduled after the last day of classes.

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 not be used as final examination days.

2. That section 8.70.21 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL be amended to read as follows (change is underlined):

8.70.21 In the preparation of the calendar, a fall semester advising day 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.

3. Effective for the 1992-93 academic year, that section 8.70.40 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL be amended to read as follows:

8.70.40 The Spring Semester. Commencement shall be held on the weekend immediately following the last due date for spring semester grades.

4. That the proposed University Calendar for 1992-93 which appears on the following pages be approved.

Members of the Committee:

Patricia Jensen, LSC
Alfred Killilea, PSC
John Long, EDC
Norbert Mundorf, SPE
Sandra Saunders, DHY
Richard Weeks, MKT, (92), Chairperson
John F. Demitroff, Registrar, ex officio
Mark Kenyon, student
Ahmad Tahajod, student

PROPOSED

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
University Calendar
1992-93

Fall Semester, 1992

August 24 - September 11		Registration period, College of Continuing Education (CCE)
August 31 - September 4		Registration Week, Kingston Campus
September 7	Monday	Holiday, Labor Day
September 8	Tuesday	Advising and Orientation, Kingston Campus
September 9	Wednesday	Classes begin, Kingston Campus
September 9	Wednesday	University Faculty Meeting, 3:30 pm
September 14	Monday	Classes begin, CCE
September 18	Friday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses that have been designated "Early Drop" courses
September 22	Tuesday	Final day for students to add Kingston Campus courses, and to add P-F grading option
September 22	Tuesday	Kingston Campus fees will not be adjusted downward for courses dropped after this date
September 23	Wednesday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop CCE courses that have been designated "Early Drop" courses
September 25	Friday	Final day for students to add CCE courses, and to add P-F grading option
October 12	Monday	Holiday, Columbus Day
October 14	Wednesday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses and to change from P-F option to grade
October 16	Friday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop CCE courses and to change from P-F option to grade
October 23	Friday	Midsemester, Kingston Campus
October 23	Friday	Final day for graduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses and to change from P-F option to grade
October 26	Monday	Early Registration begins for 1993 spring semester, Kingston Campus only
October 30	Friday	Midsemester, CCE
October 30	Friday	Final day for graduate students to drop CCE courses and to change from P-F option to grade
November 3	Tuesday	Holiday, Election Day
November 11	Wednesday	Holiday, Veterans Day
November 12	Thursday	University Faculty Meeting, 3:30 pm
November 25	Wednesday	Thanksgiving Recess begins, 10:00 pm
November 30	Monday	Classes resume, 8:00 am
December 15	Tuesday	Classes end, Kingston Campus
December 16, 20		Reading days, Kingston Campus
December 17-19, 21-23		Final examinations, Kingston Campus
December 19	Saturday	CCE classes, examinations end
December 25	Friday	Holiday, Christmas Day
December 28	Monday	Final grades due in Office of the Registrar, 4:00 pm
January 1	Friday	Holiday, New Year's Day

PROPOSED

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
University Calendar
1992-93

Spring Semester, 1993

January 11 - 22		Registration period, College of Continuing Education (CCE)
January 11 - 15		Registration Week, Kingston Campus
January 18	Monday	Holiday, Martin Luther King's Birthday
January 19	Tuesday	Classes begin, Kingston Campus
January 20	Wednesday	University Faculty Meeting, 3:30 pm
January 25	Monday	Classes begin, CCE
January 28	Thursday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses that have been designated "Early Drop" courses
February 1	Monday	Final day for students to add Kingston Campus courses, and to add P-F grading option
February 1	Monday	Kingston Campus fees will not be adjusted downward for courses dropped after this date
February 3	Wednesday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop CCE courses that have been designated "Early Drop" courses
February 5	Friday	Final day for students to add CCE courses, and to add P-F grading option
February 15	Monday	Classes will not meet
February 16	Tuesday	Monday classes meet
February 23	Tuesday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses and to change from P-F option to grade
February 26	Friday	Final day for undergraduate students to drop CCE courses and to change from P-F option to grade
March 9	Tuesday	Midsemester, Kingston Campus
March 9	Tuesday	Final day for graduate students to drop Kingston Campus courses and to change from P-F option to grade
March 12	Friday	Midsemester, CCE
March 12	Friday	Final day for graduate students to drop CCE courses and to change from P-F option to grade
March 15	Monday	Spring Recess begins, 8:00 am
March 22	Monday	Classes resume, 8:00 am
April 5	Monday	Early registration begins for 1993 fall semester, Kingston Campus only
May 4	Tuesday	Classes end, Kingston Campus
May 4	Tuesday	University Faculty Meeting, 3:30 pm
May 5 - 6		Reading days, Kingston Campus
May 7, 10 - 14		Final examinations, Kingston Campus
May 15	Saturday	CCE classes, examinations end
May 17	Monday	Final grades due in Office of the Registrar, 4:00 pm
May 23	Sunday	Commencement

ALL SEMESTER

1992

SPRING SEMESTER

1993

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 AUG	31	1 SEPT	2	3	4	5
6	7 Holiday	8 Advising Day	9 Classes Begin	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 OCT	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Holiday	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Midterm	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 NOV	2	3 Holiday	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Holiday	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiv	27 ng Recess	28
29	30 Classes Resume	1 DEC	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Classes End	16 Reading Day	17 Final	18 Examinations	19
20 Reading Day	21 Final Examinations	22	23	24	25 Holiday	26
27	28 Final Grades Due	29	30	31	1 JAN Holiday	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 JAN	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Holiday	19 Classes Begin	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1 FEB	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 No Classes	16 Monday Classes Meet	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	1 MAR	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Midterm	10	11	12	13
14	15 Spring Break	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Classes Resume	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1 APR	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 MAY
2	3	4 Classes End	5 Reading Day	6 Reading Day	7 Final Exams	8
9	10 Final Examination	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Final Grades Due	18	19	20	21	22
23 Com-mencement	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 JUN	2	3	4	5

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PROPOSED LEGISLATION
NCAA CONVENTION

January 7-11, 1991 - Nashville, Tennessee

"The Reform Convention"

We have selected for your review the proposed amendments to NCAA legislation that could have a dramatic effect upon the University of Rhode Island's athletic program or upon intercollegiate athletics in general.

No. 5 SEPARATE VOTING-DIVISION I

Intent: To permit Division I-A and all other Division I members to vote separately regarding the maximum limitation on financial aid for individual student-athletes....

No. 8 EXIT INTERVIEWS

Intent: To require Division I member institutions to conduct exit interviews with a sample of student-athletes following the expiration of their eligibility.

No. 10 COACHING LIMITATIONS-IAA FOOTBALL

Intent: To establish new coaching categories to reduce the number of countable coaches that may be utilized in Division I-AA football.

11.6.3 There shall be a limit of seven head or assistant coaches and two restricted-earnings coaches that may be employed by the institution in the sport of football.

No. 11 COACHING LIMITATIONS-SPORTS OTHER THAN FOOTBALL

Intent: To establish coaching categories and impose coaching limitations in all Division I sports other than football and reduce the number of countable coaches that may be utilized in Division I basketball.

No. 12 ANNUAL COACHES CERTIFICATION

Intent: To specify that only those Division I coaches who have been certified on an annual basis may contact or evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus;

No. 19 RECRUITING-TELEPHONE CALLS AND CONTACTS

Intent: To prohibit Division I from making telephone calls to or having off-campus contact with a prospect prior to July 1 following the completion of the prospect's junior year in high school, to limit telephone calls by a member institution to a prospect to one call per week, to prohibit students and student-athletes from making telephone calls for purposes of recruitment, and to prohibit telephone calls to a prospect during an institution's intercollegiate athletics contest.

No. 22 CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS

Intent: To redefine evaluation to include any visit to a prospect's educational institution and the observation of any practice or competition in which the prospect participates, to limit the number of evaluations during the academic year to four, to specify that staff members shall not visit a prospect's educational institution on more than one calendar day during the May evaluation period in the sport of football, to restrict member institutions to a limit of three off-campus recruiting contacts with a prospect at any site, and to allow institutional staff members to visit a prospect's educational institution on not more than one occasion during a particular week.

No. 26 RECRUITING-NATIONAL LETTER OF INTENT DEAD PERIODS

Intent: To establish a dead period beginning 48 hours before and ending 72 hours after 8 a.m. (a total of five days) on the initial date for signing the National Letter of Intent in all Division I sports.

No. 32 RECRUITING MATERIALS

Intent: To prohibit Division I institutions from providing recruiting materials to a prospect until the beginning of the prospect's junior year in high school; to restrict institutions to producing only one publication per sport; to prohibit sending greeting cards, special postcards or highlight films to a prospect; in Division I only, to restrict printing on institutional stationery and press releases to one color of printing; to prohibit personalized recruiting videotapes or audio tapes, and to limit institutions to producing one generic all-sports recruiting videotape per year, with a maximum of three minutes related to each sport.

No. 34 OFFICIAL VISIT-ACT OR SAT SCORE

Intent: To require a prospective student-athlete to present an ACT or SAT score (achieved on a national testing date under national testing conditions) prior to the receipt of an expense-paid visit.

No. 35 OFFICIAL VISITS

Intent: To reduce from 85 to 70 the total number of paid visits that members of Division I-A and I-AA may provide prospective student-athletes annually in football and to reduce from 18 to 15 the total number of paid visits that a Division I institution may provide prospective student-athletes annually in basketball.

No. 42 SEASONS OF COMPETITION

Intent: To permit a student-athlete to earn a fifth season of intercollegiate competition (in Division I, a fourth season for nonqualifiers and partial qualifiers) provided the student presents the specified academic credentials at the beginning of the fifth academic year following initial full-time enrollment.

No. 44 PARTIAL-QUALIFIER AND NONQUALIFIER ELIGIBILITY

Intent: To permit nonqualifiers and partial qualifiers in Division I to earn a fourth season of intercollegiate competition, provided they have completed 96 semester or 144 quarter units toward a specific baccalaureate degree program of the certifying institution by the beginning of the fifth academic year following their initial full-time collegiate enrollment.