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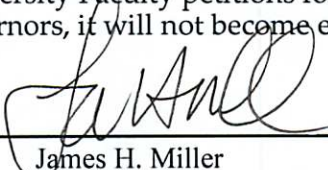
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TO: President Robert L. Carothers

FROM: James H. Miller, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report 2007-08-3, 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 27, 2008
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 April 17, 2008, 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.

March 31, 2008
(date)



James H. Miller
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

4/2/08
(date)



President

**UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
FACULTY SENATE
Academic Standards & Calendar Committee
Report #2007-08-3**

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee considered the following matters at their meeting on February 27, 2008. They are now presented to the Faculty Senate for confirmation.

I. Amendment to Section 8.22.11 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.22.11 of the be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.22.11

The work of the senior year shall be taken at the University of Rhode Island. Exceptions must be approved by the faculty of the college in which the student is enrolled. However, the dean of the college shall be able to approve a maximum of six credits to be taken at another college or university.

Proposed Section 8.22.11

The work of the senior year shall be taken at the University of Rhode Island. Exceptions must be approved by the faculty of the college in which the student is enrolled. However, the dean of the college shall be able to approve a maximum of fifteen credits to be taken at another college or university.

Rationale: It seems more reasonable to allow students a full semester opportunity.

II. Amendment to Section 8.38.14 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.38.14 be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.38.14

A matriculating University student who, with the approval of the student's academic dean, registers for courses during the summer or the academic year at other institutions shall have these course credits included in the student's cumulative record in the same manner as transfer credit.

Proposed Section 8.38.14

A matriculating University student who, with the approval of the student's academic dean, registers for courses during the summer or the academic year at other institutions shall have these course credits included in the student's cumulative record in the same manner as transfer credit. (Board of Governors' policy on articulation and transfer between state institutions of higher education defines exceptions to this regulation) See Appendix F, Transfer Policies.

Rationale: Work taken at CCRI and RI College is governed by the Board of Governor's policy on articulation and transfer.

III. Amendment to Section 8.10.50 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.10.50 be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.10.50

Full time students matriculated at one of the other public institutions of higher education in Rhode Island may enroll for a maximum of seven credits hours of their full time schedule of study at the University at no additional expense. Feinstein College of Continuing Education and Summer Session registrants are not covered under this program.

Proposed Section 8.10.50

Full time students matriculated at one of the other public institutions of higher education in Rhode Island may enroll for a maximum of seven credits hours of their full time schedule of study at the University at no additional expense. Summer Session registrants, Feinstein College of Continuing Education Special Programs Courses, and off campus study are not included in this program.

Rationale: The existing section is discriminatory against full time URI students who are taking classes in Providence.

IV. Amendment to the 2011 Spring Calendar

The ASC Committee recommends that the 2011 date for “midterm grades for freshman due” be changed from March 28th to March 18th.

Rationale: The published date is in error. In accordance with UNIVERSITY MANUAL section 8.70.40, midsemester falls on the week before spring break (March 21-27, 2011) and midsemester grades for freshmen are due not later than midsemester (8.54.20).