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Transmittal Form for Bills Approved by the Faculty Senate

From: The Chairman, Faculty Senate
To: The President, Dr. Francis H. Horn
Enclosure

1. The attached bill, entitled Endorsement of recommendations of the Graduate Faculty regarding responsibilities of Graduate Assistants.

   is hereby forwarded to you for your consideration.

2. The official original and eight copies for your use are attached.

3. This bill was approved by vote of the Faculty Senate on April 23, 1964.

4. After your consideration, will you kindly indicate your approval or disapproval, as appropriate, and either return it or forward it to the Board of Trustees, as you may deem appropriate, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

5. Attention is invited to the fact that this bill will become effective on May 14, 1964 (three weeks after its approval by the Senate), in accordance with paragraph 8.2 of the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate as amended, or in accordance with provisions of the bill, unless it is returned disapproved by the President, or unless referendum is petitioned for by the Faculty, or unless the President decides to forward it, with his approval, to the Board of Trustees for their approval. If it is to be forwarded to the Board of Trustees, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

   April 24, 1964
   Robert W. Harrison
   (Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate

Endorsement 1.

From: The President, University of Rhode Island
To: The Chairman, Board of Trustees of State Colleges

1. Forwarded.
2. Approved.

   May 14, 1964
   (Signature) President, University of R.I.

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Alternate Endorsement 1.

From: The President, University of Rhode Island
To: The Chairman, Faculty Senate

1. Returned.
3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Trustees would not be desired by the Board and is unnecessary.

(date) (Signature) President, University of R.I.

Endorsement 2.

From: The Board of Trustees of State Colleges
To: The Chairman, Faculty Senate
Via: The President, University of Rhode Island.

1. Returned.

(date) (Signature)

(Office)

Endorsement 3.

From: The President, University of Rhode Island
To: The Chairman, Faculty Senate

1. Forwarded.

(date) (Signature) President, University of R.I.

Received (date) (Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate

Original forwarded to Secretary of the Senate and Registrar, E. Farrell, for filing in the archives of the University.

(date) (Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate
Recommendations of the Graduate Faculty.

Report of Committee to Study Responsibilities of Graduate Assistants.

Following a survey of the present responsibilities of graduate assistants in the various departments, the committee makes the following recommendations:

1. A graduate assistant having instructional responsibilities shall be under the supervision, coordination and guidance of a faculty member. Final grades in a course shall not be the sole responsibility of a graduate assistant, but shall be assigned in consultation with the faculty supervisor or coordinator.

2. The department chairman and the coordinator or supervisor should decide on the teaching responsibilities of a graduate assistant, adjusting this to the education, experience, and ability of the assistant. It would be advisable in some areas for a first year student to have fewer contact hours than a second year student, and to spend the remainder of his assisting time in grading papers, etc., and in helping faculty members in other ways.

3. The faculty member performing the supervisory or coordinating role should have this responsibility considered as part of his teaching load in the planning of his teaching assignments.

The above recommendations were adopted by the Graduate Faculty on June 3, 1963.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Nash,
Dean of the Graduate School