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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

- The attached bill, entitled ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE -- Recommendations to (1) extend withdrawal period from a course without penalty to mid-semester and (2) reduce minimum number of credits to twelve. is hereby forwarded to you for your consideration.
- The official original and 2 copies for your use are attached.
- This bill was approved by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 20, 1965 (date).
- After your consideration, will you kindly indicate your approval or disapproval, as appropriate, and return it, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

May 25, 1965
(date)

A. Perry Joffins
(Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate.

Endorsement 1.

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

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

August 13, 1965
(date)

Francis H. Horn
(Signature) President, Univ. of R.I.

Received *Aug 16, 1965*
(date)

Elizabeth W. Crandall
(Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate

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

Aug 16, 1965
(date)

Elizabeth W. Crandall
(Signature) Chairman, Faculty Senate

UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE

Report of the Committee on Academic Standards

Part II

Recommendations to be presented at the Faculty Senate meeting May 20, 1965:

1. That the present four-week limit for withdrawal from a course without penalty of the F grade be extended to midsemester as designated by the university calendar.

COMMENT: It makes no difference in the schedule of the student whether he withdraw from a course in four weeks or in seven and a half weeks. At the final Faculty Senate meeting in 1963-1964, President Horn urged that the withdrawal time be extended. Also, in many courses the student has little idea of his ability in a course until midsemester.

2. That the present 15-credit minimum for regular students as stated in the University Manual (paragraph 104.2, p. 54) be reduced to 12 credits with the understanding that a regular student who after starting the semester drops a course and thereby continued to take less than the 12 credit minimum will not lose the housing or social privileges of a regular student. Any special reduction from the normal load to the 12-credit minimum must be approved officially by both the adviser and the dean of the appropriate college.

COMMENT: Requests to the Academic Standards Committee for the lower minimum have come from the College of Arts and Sciences (initiated by the Petitions Committee of the College), the Senate Committee on Curricular Affairs, and the academic deans. Since the regulation approved by the Faculty Senate last year increased the maximum credits for special students from 7 to 11 (or three courses), it seems only logical to make the difference between the maximum number of credits for special students and the minimum for regular students only the 1 credit rather than 4.

James Corless
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Warren Smith, Chairman