April 1969 Senate Revisions: Service (Military) Credits

University of Rhode Island Faculty Senate

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TO: President Werner A. Baum  
FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate  

1. The Attached BILL, titled April 1969 Senate Revisions: Service (Military) Credits, 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 April 24, 1969.  
4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Trustees, completing the appropriate endorsement below.  
5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on May 15, 1969 (date), 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 Trustees for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Trustees, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

endorsement 1.  
TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate  
FROM: President of the University  

1. Returned.  
3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Trustees is not necessary.

[Signature]  
(date)  
President

Form approved 11/65
REPORT OF ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE ON SERVICE CREDIT

April 17, 1969

Rules and regulations in the University Manual on credit for service in the armed forces were written when basic R.O.T.C. was required of all male students and the credits counted toward the degree requirements. Basic R.O.T.C. is now optional and in many curriculums is taken above the degree requirements. Some or all of the credits for advanced R.O.T.C. taken by students in some curriculums is now also taken above degree requirements. Thus, the section on service credit in the manual needs revision.

The Academic Standards Committee feels that credit should be given for service in the armed forces only to the extent that the work covered there is equivalent to courses which the student is allowed to take for credit in his curriculum. Transfer credit for work in the armed forces should be treated no differently from transfer credit in any other field. Physical education being a University requirement should be treated uniformly throughout the University. Credit for R.O.T.C. courses, however, could only be given in those curriculums in which the student may take R.O.T.C. for credit toward his degree. Also, R.O.T.C. credit should not be automatic, but should only be given for service credit which is judged similar and equivalent to the R.O.T.C. courses.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Delete section 7.9.9 and replace sections 7.9.7, 7.9.8 by the following:

7.9.7 Physical Education -- Students entering the University after having been in the armed forces shall be given credit for basic Physical Education at the rate of one credit for each 3 months of active service up to a maximum of 4 credits.

7.9.8 R.O.T.C. -- Credit for basic and advanced R.O.T.C. may be given for work in the service which is judged similar and equivalent to courses which the student may use for credit toward his degree requirements.

Renumber present 7.9.10 to 7.9.9.

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