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TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled Academic Standards and Calendar Committee Report #79-80-4

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 17, 1980 (date).

4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, 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 8, 1980 (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 Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

April 18, 1980 (date) 

Alvin K. Swonger 
Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.

2. a. Approved 

b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Regents 

c. Disapproved 

4/23/80 (date) 

President

Form revised 7/78
BACKGROUND:

On November 29, 1979, the Board of Regents of the State of Rhode Island mandated that the policies contained in the so-called "Articulation and Transfer Agreement" be adopted by the state’s postsecondary institutions. Among other things this agreement stipulates that:

1) "A student holding an Associate of Arts degree oriented toward the Baccalaureate degree with a grade point average of 2.4 from an accredited public Rhode Island postsecondary education institution shall be assured admission to a baccalaureate degree-granting public Rhode Island postsecondary education institution."

2) "College-level credit earned with minimally acceptable grades at one accredited public postsecondary education institution in Rhode Island shall be transferable to another as earned credit. Specified prerequisite-equivalent courses may require a C grade to show as the equivalent prerequisite at the receiving institution."

The recommendations below will bring the University Manual into conformity with these stipulations and will make the entire agreement available as part of the University Manual.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee recommends:

1) that the document "Policy for Articulation and Transfer between and among Public Institutions of Postsecondary Education in Rhode Island" be incorporated as an appendix into the University Manual;

2) that existing University Manual sections 8.37.12 and 8.37.13 be replaced with proposed 8.37.12 and 8.37.13 as indicated below.

Existing 8.37.12

Transfer credit may be given in those courses in which the student received a grade of "C" or better but no credit for courses in which he/she received "D" or "F". However, the transfer credits shall not be used to calculate the student's quality point average and his/her academic standing shall be based solely upon his/ her achievement at the University of Rhode Island.

Proposed 8.37.12

The credentials of transfer students shall be reviewed by the Director of admissions, who shall determine the admissibility of the candidates, and who shall thereafter refer the transcripts of earlier college work to the academic dean of the college in which the applicant seeks registration for a formal evaluation of the transfer allowance.

Existing 8.37.13

Transfer credit may be given in those courses in which the student received a grade of "C" or better but no credit for courses in which he/she received "D" or "F". However, college-level credit earned with minimally acceptable grades at another accredited public postsecondary education institution in Rhode Island shall be transferable as earned credit but a grade of C or better may be required in certain specified courses before they can be used to satisfy prerequisite requirements.

Proposed 8.37.13

The credentials of transfer students shall be reviewed by the Director of admissions, who shall determine the admissibility of the candidates, and who shall thereafter refer the transcripts of earlier college work to the academic dean of the college in which the applicant seeks registration for a formal evaluation of the transfer allowance. A student holding an Associate of Arts degree oriented toward the Baccalaureate degree from an accredited public postsecondary education institution in Rhode Island with a grade point average of 2.4 or higher shall be assured admission.

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