DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSION AND
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CHANGES IN ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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

1. The Attached BILL, titled DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSION AND CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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 73-4-26.

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 5-24-73 extended (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.

May 15, 1973

ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate
FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.

2. Approved □ Disapproved □

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

(OVER)

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ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.

2. Approved.

_________________________ /s/
(date) President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

_________________________ /s/
(date) (Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

_________________________ /s/
(date) President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

_________________________ /s/
(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate

(a) Add to the University Manual under Section 5.16.32, "The Graduate Council," as follows:

Any proposed new program must be submitted prior to November 1 in order to be considered during that academic year; all such proposals shall be considered on one agenda; and approved proposals shall be forwarded, together with statements of assigned academic priorities, to the Joint Educational Policy Committee by January 2 of the same academic year.

(This action must be taken by the Graduate Faculty as provided in Section 5.16.43 of the Manual.)

For the purpose of this and the succeeding section, the word 'program' shall be defined as: (1) degree programs or concentrations, (2) colleges and other divisions of the University authorized to grant degrees, and (3) other academic units which offer instruction, pursue research, or provide public services.

(b) Add to the University Manual under Section 5.75.10, the "Curricular Affairs Committee," as follows:

Any proposed new program must be submitted prior to November 1, in order to be considered during that academic year; all such proposals shall be considered on one agenda; and approved proposals shall be forwarded, together with statements of assigned academic priorities, to the Joint Educational Policy Committee by January 2 of the same academic year.

(c) Add to the University Manual under Section 5.66.10, the "Joint Educational Policy Committee," as follows:

As part of this review, the committee shall consider each year on one agenda all new programs submitted to it from the Graduate Council and the Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee; and it shall forward these proposals, together with any other recommendations it has for changes in existing programs, to the Faculty Senate by February 15. These submissions shall include statements specifying the fiscal priorities assigned to its recommendations.

(d) Add to the Senate Constitution under Article II, "Powers," after the second sentence in this Section, as follows:

All proposals for new programs or modifications in existing programs shall be presented on one agenda at the March meeting of the Senate each year.

(This motion, if adopted, must be submitted to the University Faculty for ratification in a referendum.)
assign them powers and duties, is specifically vested in the Faculty Senate (University Manual, Section 5.70.10, The Senate Constitution, Article II, Section 4, and Senate By-Laws, Section 4). The exercise of this power, the Executive Committee has concluded, may not be subject to presidential veto.

If the Senate confirms this legislation, the Executive Committee will draft a charge for the special committee and it will present this charge, together with the proposed composition of the committee, to the Senate at the next regular meeting on May 3rd.

**LEGISLATION TO IMPLEMENT THE ANNUAL FISCAL REVIEW**


(a) Add to the University Manual under Section 4.30.10, "The Faculty Senate," as follows:

The President shall be empowered to establish, abolish or reorganize the various academic colleges, divisions, departments, offices or units of the University unless the Faculty Senate shall veto his initiatives. (See Constitution of the Faculty Senate).

(b) Add to the Senate Constitution under Article II, "Powers," a new Section 2, as follows (and renumber the following sections in sequence):

The President, as an exception to the Senate's power, shall have authority to establish, reorganize, or terminate academic colleges, divisions, departments, offices or units of the University, subject to the following limitations:

(a) the President shall present to the Senate for its consideration a specific plan for programmatic change; (b) this plan shall stipulate the reasons for the proposed change, as well as its fiscal and educational implications for the University's existing programs and policies; (c) the Senate may reject the plan by the negative vote of two-fifths of those members who vote at a special meeting called to consider that plan, and following such rejection a similar plan may not again be introduced by the President for a period of two years; (d) a special Senate meeting must be convened and must act upon the presidential plan within 60 days after its receipt by the Chairman, unless the Senate shall request a delay of up to 60 days, such request to be automatically granted, or unless the plan is presented during the summer when the period for action shall begin with the first day of the autumn semester.

(This motion, if adopted, must be submitted to the University Faculty for ratification in a referendum.)