UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND FACULTY SENATE

Academic Standards & Calendar Committee Report #2007-08-3

The Academic Standards and Calendar Committee considered the following matters at their meeting on February 27, 2008. They are now presented to the Faculty Senate for confirmation

I. Amendment to Section 8.22.11 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.22.11 of the be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.22.11

The work of the senior year shall be taken at the University of Rhode Island. Exceptions must be approved by the faculty of the college in which the student is enrolled. However, the dean of the college shall be able to approve a maximum of six credits to be taken at another college or university.

Proposed Section 8.22.11

The work of the senior year shall be taken at the University of Rhode Island. Exceptions must be approved by the faculty of the college in which the student is enrolled. However, the dean of the college shall be able to approve a maximum of fifteen credits to be taken at another college or university.

Rationale: It seems more reasonable to allow students a full semester opportunity.

II. Amendment to Section 8.38.14 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.38.14 be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.38.14

A matriculating University student who, with the approval of the student's academic dean, registers for courses during the summer or the academic year at other institutions shall have these course credits included in the student's cumulative record in the same manner as transfer credit.

Proposed Section 8.38.14

A matriculating University student who, with the approval of the student's academic dean, registers for courses during the summer or the academic year at other institutions shall have these course credits included in the student's cumulative record in the same manner as transfer credit. (Board of Governors' policy on articulation and transfer between state institutions of higher education defines exceptions to this regulation) See Appendix F, Transfer Policies.

Rationale: Work taken at CCRI and RI College is governed by the Board of Governor's policy on articulation and transfer.

III. Amendment to Section 8.10.50 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL

The ASC Committee recommends that existing section 8.10.50 be amended to read as proposed:

Existing Section 8.10.50

Full time students matriculated at one of the other public institutions of higher education in Rhode Island may enroll for a maximum of seven credits hours of their full time schedule of study at the University at no additional expense. Feinstein College of Continuing Education and Summer Session registrants are not covered under this program.

Proposed Section 8.10.50

Full time students matriculated at one of the other public institutions of higher education in Rhode Island may enroll for a maximum of seven credits hours of their full time schedule of study at the University at no additional expense. Summer Session registrants, Feinstein College of Continuing Education Special Courses, and off campus study are not included in this program.

Rationale: The existing section is discriminatory against full time URI students who are taking classes in Providence.

IV. Amendment to the 2011 Spring Calendar

The ASC Committee recommends that the 2011 date for "midterm grades for freshman due" be changed from March 28th to March 18th.

Rationale: The published date is in error. In accordance with UNIVERSITY MANUAL section 8.70.40, midsemester falls on the week before spring break (March 21-27, 2011) and midsemester grades for freshmen are due not later than midsemester (8.54.20).