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Credit-Hour Load Per Semester

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Resolution #35, 1984-85

TO: President John E. Van de Wetering

FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on May 6, 1985
(Date)

RE: X I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJECT: Credit-Hour Load Per Semester

(see attached)



Signed [Signature] Date Sent 5/8/85
(For the Senate)
..... Kenneth P. O'Brien, President, Faculty Senate

TO: The Faculty Senate

FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
a. Accepted. Effective Date Fall 85
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on _____
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation
II., III. a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment:

DISTRIBUTION: Vice Presidents: (see attached list)
Others:
Distribution Date: 5/17/85 Signed: [Signature]
(President of the College)
Date Received by the Senate: _____

FACULTY SENATE STUDENT POLICIES COMMITTEE
Credit - Hour Load Per Semester
Revision

Proposed Policy Change to: refer to pages 41 & 42 Academic Policies Handbook 83-85

1. Permit transfer students with 15 hours and 3.0 gpa or better at previous institutions to enroll for 18 or 19 hours in first semester.
2. Permit second semester seniors to enroll for 21 hours without advisor's approval.
3. Eliminate advisor approval requirement for upper division students requesting 20 hours.

Rationale:

1. Permission to take extra hours under the aforementioned conditions (1 above) will reduce obstacles to transfers wishing to complete a degree in four years.
2. Currently second semester seniors must have a statement from their advisor to take 21 hours. Most faculty do not have time during advisement, before pre-registration, to write an extensive explanation and indeed no advisor is likely to prohibit a senior from taking 21 hours to meet graduation requirements in their last semester. The advisor signs the "advisor sign off form" and that should be adequate.

Revised Policy Will Read:

1. Minimum full-time load is 12 credit-hours per semester.
2. Failure to enroll in the minimum full-time credit-hour load may affect your financial aid. For specific information see your financial aid counselor.
3. The normal credit-hour load is 15 credit-hours per semester. Up to 17 credit-hours may be taken without special permission.
4. Authorization for 18 or 19 credit-hours per semester will be granted for:
 - A. Students with 15 to 23 hours and a gpa of 3.0 or higher.
 - B. Sophomores with a cumulative average (gpa) of 2.75 or higher.
5. Authorization for 18 to 20 credit-hours per semester will be granted for:
 - A. Juniors with a cumulative average (gpa) of 2.50 or higher.
 - B. Seniors with a cumulative average (gpa) of 2.0 or higher.
6. Seniors enrolled in their final semester will be permitted to enroll for up to 21 credit-hours to complete graduation requirements.
7. No student may carry more than 6 credit-hours during any five week summer session, nor more than 3 credit hours in a three-week session.
8. Only Transfer students with 15 credit-hours of transfer credit or better and a 3.0 gpa or better at a previous institution or institutions will be permitted to enroll for 18 or 19 hours in the first semester.