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# Removal of cap on Graduate Hours in Master's Programs

The College at Brockport, College Senate

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TO: President John E. Van de Wetering

FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on 3/17/86  
(Date)

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

SUBJECT: Removal of the cap on graduate hours required in master's degree programs.



Signed: [Signature] Date Sent: 3/19/86  
 (For the 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 4/11/86

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:

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 (President of the College)

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### Present Policy

Hours Required for Graduation. A minimum of 30 and a maximum of 39 semester hours at the graduate level will be required for all master's programs. At least 15 hours must be taken at the 600 level or above.

### Proposed Policy

Hours Required for Graduation. Master's degree programs will require a minimum of 30 semester hours. At least 15 hours must be taken at the 600 level or above. The maximum number of hours will depend upon the requirements of the department involved and upon the approval of the appropriate campus and State authorities.

### Rationale

Some departments on our campus are attempting to seek accreditation from bodies that require a greater number of semester hours than the 39 hour maximum presently allowed. There appears to be no rationale of note to support the 39 hour maximum.

Enquiries to SUNY Albany to Jane Altes, Associate Vice-Chancellor for Academic Programs, to Martha McAvin, Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Academic Programs and to Linda Scatton, Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor for Research, Graduate Studies and Professional Programs, uncovered no regulation that required a maximum number of hours for graduate programs.