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FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION 77-9

WHEREAS, at various places in the General Catalog the University sets forth grade averages as requirements for such diverse subjects as admission (p. graduation (p. 48), transfer to a senior college (p. 49), probationary status (p. 209), and honors at graduation (p. 50), and

WHEREAS, these requirements are stated with varying degrees of precision (1.5, 2.0, 3.86) from one place to two places to the right of the decimal point, and

WHEREAS, the question of the proper interpretation of these numbers has arisen,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that in the interest of uniformity consistency the committee recommends that the following statement be inserted in the General Catalog:

For all academic purposes grade point averages shall be specified to three significant figures (two decimal places), with the last figure to reflect rounding from a four significant figure (three decimal places) average where such is available. If the third figure after the decimal point is a five (5), upward rounding shall occur. In the consideration of relative rank in class, a student's average may be carried to three decimal places. Regardless of the results of rounding, no student shall be deemed to have graduated with "4.0" average if any grade other than "A" or "pass" for courses completed appears on his transcript.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all grade point averages or requirements be cited in the General Catalog to three significant figures (2.00, 1.50, 4.00), and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a statement be inserted in the General Catalog that any grade average requirement cited to only one decimal place (as 2.0) shall be construed to mean, mathematically, a figure accurate to two decimal places, as 2.00, regardless of the text.

Adopted 2/23/78