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OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS PROGRAMS

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TO: Jeanette F. Morales, Assistant Director, Office of Academic Program Management
 FROM: Frank Kelley, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Business Programs
 DATE: September 14, 2009
 RE: Proposal for changes to admission requirements to the Bauer College of Business

The Bauer College of Business proposes to Undergraduate Council to change freshman and transfer (both external and change of major) admission requirements to the college as follows:

Item # 1: Freshman Admission

Current Catalog Text:

**Bauer College of Business and
Cullen College of Engineering Majors**

Rank in Class	Minimum Test Scores*			
	SAT		ACT	
	Total and Verbal or Composite and		English Usage	
Top 10%	970	480	22	19
1st quarter	970	480	22	19
2nd quarter	1050	480	24	19
3rd quarter	1180	480	26	19
4th quarter	Not admissible		Not admissible	

Proposed Catalog Text:

Bauer College of Business Majors

Rank in Class	Minimum Test Scores*			
	SAT		ACT	
	Total	Verbal or Composite	and	English Usage
Top 50%	1050	480	22	19
All Others*	1180	480	26	19

*Students from schools that do not rank who have a 1050 SAT and 480 Verbal, or 22 ACT Composite and 19 English Usage, and who have a high school grade point average of 3.50 or above may also be considered for admission by counselor review.

Justification: The Bauer College of Business SAT criteria for admission needs to be raised in comparison to the recent university changes to the minimum SAT score to 1000 for admission for all students in the top 20% of their class. Also, students from schools that do not rank need to have set criteria to be considered for admission to the Bauer College of Business.

Item #2: External Transfer Admissions:

Current Catalog Text:

Applicants to the Bauer College of Business who have earned between 15 and 59 semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average. Students who have earned 60 or more semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average over the last 60 hours of college level work attempted.

Proposed Catalog Text (parts to be added or changed are highlighted in red):

Applicants to the Bauer College of Business with applications completed by the admission deadline who have earned between 15 and 59 semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average. Students who have earned 60 or more semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average over the last 60 hours of college level work attempted. After the admission deadline applicants who meet the minimum GPA criteria or alternative criteria set by the dean of the college will be admitted on a space available basis.

Item #3: Internal Transfer Admissions:

Current Catalog Text (parts to be changed highlighted in red):

UH students who have completed 15-60 semester hours of college level work at UH or other schools must have a minimum 2.75 cumulative grade point average on all college course work to become a pre-business major. UH students who have completed 60 or more semester hours of college level work at UH or other schools must have a minimum 2.75 cumulative grade point average on the last 60 semester hours to become a pre-business major. The computation of the grade point average over the last 60 semester hours will include all grades for the semester in which the 60th hour occurs. Students on probation or suspension are not eligible to change their majors to business. Students who have submitted transcripts of all completed college work to the University of Houston may submit a change of major request on the Bauer Web site: www.bauer.uh.edu.

Proposed Catalog Text (parts to be added or changed are highlighted in red):

UH students with applications to change their major to pre-business completed by the admission deadline must meet the following criteria: students who have earned between 15 and 59 semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average; students who have earned 60 or more semester hours must have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average over the last 60 hours of college level work attempted. After the admission deadline applicants who meet the minimum GPA criteria or criteria set by the dean of the college will be admitted on a space available basis.

For UH students, the computation of the grade point average includes both transfer and UH coursework. The computation of the grade point average over the last 60 semester hours will include all grades for the semester in which the 60th hour occurs. Students on probation or suspension are not eligible to change their majors to business. Students who have submitted transcripts of all completed college work to the University of Houston may submit a change of major request on the Bauer Web site: www.bauer.uh.edu.

Justification: Provides more flexibility to admit qualified students on a space available basis as determined by the college. The net impact would not change current practice for students who apply on time, but will allow for more effective enrollment management and quality control after the deadline.

Item # 4: Allowing the Dean to Determine an Alternative Criteria for Filing a Degree Plan on a Space Available Basis for More Flexibility in Enrollment Management without Compromising Quality.

Current Catalog Text:

Degree Progress and Filing a Degree Plan

Pre-business majors are expected to complete university core and pre-business courses during their freshman and sophomore years. Junior standing, or at least 45 hours for students in a mixed program, and completion of all specific course prerequisites and corequisites are required before students may take 3000-level business courses. A mixed program is a one-semester transition in which pre-business students who are not yet juniors but have completed at least 45 hours may take upper level business courses to have a full course load, as long as they meet specific course prerequisites/corequisites and qualify to file a degree plan at the end of that semester.

In order to declare a specific area of concentration and file a major degree plan (and for business majors to file a business minor), students must:

1. be a pre-business major with a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at the University of Houston,
2. have completed 6 hours of Communication, the U.S. History and American Government requirements, 6 hours of Natural Sciences, 6 hours of natural sciences, and PSYC 1300 or SOC 1300 (core courses for the Humanities, the Visual/Performing Arts, the Social/Behavioral Sciences, and the Writing in the Disciplines requirements may be completed after students file a degree plan),
3. complete all pre-business courses (MATH 1313 and 1314, ECON 2304 and 2305, ACCT 2331 and 2332, and DISC 3300) with a minimum grade of C in each of these courses taken at the University of Houston,
4. complete the business writing evaluation, and
5. complete the noncredit Bauer Experience requirements.

Students are expected to file a degree plan through the Office of Undergraduate Business Programs, 262 Melcher Hall, as soon as the student has completed 60 credit hours.

Proposed Catalog Text (changes and additions are highlighted in red):

Degree Progress and Filing a Degree Plan

Pre-business majors are expected to complete university core and pre-business courses during their freshman and sophomore years. Junior standing, or at least 45 hours for students in a mixed program, and completion of all specific course prerequisites and corequisites are required before students may take 3000-4000 level business courses, except for MIS 3300, 3301, and 3331, which do not require junior standing. A mixed program is a one-semester transition in which pre-business students who are not yet juniors but have completed at least 45 hours may take upper level business courses to have a full course load, as long as they meet specific course prerequisites/corequisites and qualify to file a degree plan at the end of that semester.

In order to declare a business major and file a major degree plan (and for business majors to file a business minor), students must:

1. be a pre-business major with a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at the University of Houston (students who meet alternate criteria set by the dean of the college will be admitted on a space available basis),
2. have completed 6 hours of Communication, the U.S. History and American Government requirements, 6 hours of Natural Sciences, 6 hours of natural sciences, and PSYC 1300 or SOC 1300 (core courses for the Humanities, the Visual/Performing Arts, the Social/Behavioral Sciences, and the Writing in the Disciplines requirements may be completed after students file a degree plan),
3. complete all pre-business courses (MATH 1313 and 1314, ECON 2304 and 2305, ACCT 2331 and 2332, and MIS 3300) with a minimum grade of **C** in each of these courses taken at the University of Houston,
4. complete the business writing evaluation, and
5. complete the noncredit Bauer Experience requirements.

Students are expected to file a degree plan through the Office of Undergraduate Business Programs, 262 Melcher Hall, as soon as the student has completed 60 credit hours.

Justification: Adding an alternative criteria set by the dean allows the college more flexibility to accommodate qualified students on a space available basis.