

TO: Simon Bott, Chair
Undergraduate Council

FROM: Jerry Waite
Academic Policies and Procedures Committee

SUBJECT: UC 11762 Proposed Changes to the 2014 and 2016 Transfer Admissions Requirements

DATE: April 11, 2012

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The Academic Policies and Procedures Committee met on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 and again on Wednesday, April 11, 2012 to discuss UC 11762: Proposed Changes to the 2014 and 2016 Transfer Admissions Requirements. Participating in the discussion were committee members Leonard Bachman, Preston Broom, Bill Dupre, Tamara Fish, Richard Scamell, Kevin Simon, Steven Soutullo, William Munson, and Jerry Waite; Djuana Young, Director of Admissions, attended the meeting, presented the proposal to the subcommittee, and answered members' questions.

Background

The Office of Admissions is proposing the following changes to the transfer admissions criteria. If approved, these changes would be implemented in two steps: Phase I, beginning in Fall 2014, and Phase II, starting in Fall 2016.

During the past few years, freshman admissions requirements have risen substantially while transfer admission requirements have not changed. The proposed changes will align our transfer requirements with our increased FTIC standards. The committee strongly supports this change, which is in line with the University's Tier One status. In one member's words, "It's about time."

These changes only affect those transfer students who do *not* have an Associate's degree. Admissions standards for those possessing an Associate's degree will remain unchanged.

Recommendation

- Phase I – Fall 2014
 - Have accumulated 30^{or more} transferable hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.25.
 - Admissible to the major of student's choice.
 - Students with fewer than 30 hours (0-29) and who meet freshman admissions criteria will be considered for admission based on an Individual Review by the Admissions Faculty Review Committee. Transfer work from all previous institutions will be taken into consideration during the decision-making process.
- Phase II – Fall 2016
 - Have completed at least English Composition I and College Algebra.
 - Have accumulated 30^{or more} transferable hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50.
 - Admissible to the major of student's choice.
 - Students with fewer than 30 hours (0-29) and who meet freshman admissions criteria will be considered for admission based on an Individual Review by the Admissions Faculty Review Committee. Transfer work from all previous institutions will be taken into consideration during the decision-making process.

The Committee voted:

- 9 "aye."
- 0 "nay."