

**MINUTES
EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
JANUARY 15, 1998**

Members Present: Carole Henry, Thomas Holland, William Paul, William Barstow, David Weller, Paul Kurtz, and Sidney Brown.

Guests: George Francisco - College of Pharmacy, James Fletcher - OVPA, Ann Crowther - Arts & Sciences, Gary Moore and William Marshall - Registrar's Office.

Dr. Carole Henry, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and introductions were made.

Dean George Francisco, College of Pharmacy, presented the following proposals tabled at the September 18, 1997 EAC meeting:

1. *Pharmacy students will have their grade point averages restarted upon entering the Pharm.D. program. Overall averages of all course work taken will also continue to be reflected on the student's transcript.*
2. *Pharm.D. students entering 9809 and thereafter will be subject to the 90-hour rule.*
3. *Students enrolled in the Pharm.D. program in 9701 and thereafter will be considered for the Dean's List/Presidential Scholar List and for academic probation/dismissal.*

After Dean Francisco's presentation, the Committee voted to approve each request.

Dr. James Fletcher, Associate Vice President, presented a request that the Committee review each school and college's policy on readmittance following first and second dismissal. University Advisors have expressed the need for uniformity in policy across the campus. Dr. Ann Crowther, Associate Dean, explained that the Franklin College's policy on readmittance does require additional course work while on dismissal. She explained that the College sees this as encouraging a student to continue his or her education as well as showing the College that the student is capable of successfully completing course work. In contrast, the Terry College of Business does not allow courses taken at other institutions while on dismissal to count toward the UGA B.B.A. degree.

The University's policy for readmission following first dismissal allows a student, after a minimum of a two quarter suspension, to be readmitted at the discretion of the academic dean. Students placed on second dismissal are suspended for a minimum of one calendar year and may return to the University only if permission is granted by the Educational Affairs Committee. After much discussion, it was agreed that a general policy for all schools and colleges would be difficult to resolve. Dr. Paul Kurtz proposed the following:

All students upon first dismissal will be informed by his or her school or college of procedures and standards that will be applied for readmittance.

The proposal passed unanimously.

Dr. James Fletcher presented the next item of business, Limits on the "Major Not Yet Admitted" Status. The new USG Core Curriculum requires that both native and transfer students be admitted to majors after completion of Area F (Courses Related to the Major) of the core. In addition, USG transfer and native students must be admitted into "restricted" majors (those where applications are more numerous than seats available for the major) on an equitable basis.

Students who have completed Area F but have not been accepted into the major will need some time to complete requirements that would allow them to be accepted, or complete another Area F. Dr. Fletcher asked the Committee to provide a statement that addresses the amount of time a student may be allowed to continue to register at the University while remaining in a "Major Not Yet Admitted" status.

A student not yet admitted into a major but who is allowed to continue to register impairs the opportunities of other students to move into majors of their choice. Dr. Fletcher proposed that the Committee approve the following:

Students who have completed semester core curriculum Area F (courses in preparation for the major) but have not yet been admitted into the major for which they are prepared will be permitted to continue enrollment in this status for two semesters.

Interpretation: Such students will have two semesters to be accepted into the major for which they are prepared. At the end of this time - if they have not been accepted into their major or changed to another intended major, they will not be allowed to continue to register for University classes.

The proposal passed with a Committee vote of five yes and one opposed.

The next item of business, Grading Practices and Policies, was presented by Dr. James Fletcher. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges - Criteria for Accreditation, states that, "Students must be provided written information about the goals and requirements of each course, the nature of the course content, and methods of evaluation to be employed." The guidelines also state that, "An institution must publish its grading policies, and its grading practices must be consistent with policy." In the near future, the University will be reevaluated for accreditation and must comply with the criteria. Current UGA policy encourages faculty members to provide a course syllabus with grading policies and expectations. Dr. Fletcher explained to the Committee that this will need to be a requirement of the faculty.

This item will be discussed at a future EAC meeting.

A request for a posthumous degree on behalf of the family of Carl Jack Forman, II, was forwarded to the Committee for approval by Dr. Hugh Ruppensburg, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences. The request passed unanimously.

Finally, a proposal from the Curriculum Committee to University Council that will allow reexamination on the history of the United States and Georgia was presented for the Committee's information.

No further business appearing, the Committee adjourned.