

To: Fort Wayne Senate

From: Educational Policy Committee

Date: March 26, 2004

Subj: Revisions to Senate Document 85-18 Academic Regulations

Disposition: To the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for Implementation

Whereas, the Senate has approved a diversity requirement for all baccalaureate programs; and,

Whereas, the new requirement should be integrated with existing Senate documents which describe requirements for baccalaureate programs; therefore,

Be it resolved that the Senate approve the recommended changes to SD 85-18 Academic Regulations (insertions in boldface, deletions in strikeout).

Approving

Disapproving

Non-voting

Absent

Bruce Abbott

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Susan Hannah

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Section 10.0 DEGREES

10.1 Degrees offered

10.2 Requirements for degrees

10.3 Double majors and double degrees

10.4 Graduation with distinction

10.5 Conferring of degrees

10.0 DEGREES. Academic units may impose stricter requirements than those listed in this section but may not waive the following minimum standards. Provided these minimum standards are satisfied, adjustments to any degree requirement may be made by the unit establishing that requirement.

10.1 Degrees offered. For completion of undergraduate plans of study of at least 60 credits, associate degrees may be conferred. For completion of undergraduate plans of study of at least 120 credits, bachelor's degrees may be conferred.

10.2 Requirements for degrees. Any student entering a degree, certificate, or pre-major program will be required to fulfill the requirements in the Bulletin or its supplement or departmental regulation current at the time of most recent entry or re-entry into that program at IPFW, or with the written acknowledgment of the academic advisor, the requirements in any subsequent Bulletin or supplement.

Any new requirement for a degree, certificate, or pre-major program may not be applied to currently enrolled students in these programs if it would increase the number of semester hours or the number of semesters required for completion of the program.

The school/division/department committee in charge of curriculum matters may refuse to accept as credit toward graduation any course which was completed 10 or more years previously. Former students shall be notified of all such decisions upon reentering or when the credit is determined to be unacceptable.

To gain any associate or bachelor's degree from IPFW, the student shall satisfy the following requirements:

10.2.1 The completion by resident credit or transfer credit (see Section 1.2) of the plan of study underlying the degree, including:

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10.2.1.1 For an associate degree, **(a)** the registration in and completion of at least 32 credits of resident course credit, including at least 15 credits in courses applicable to the major and **(b) the completion of the general education and other requirements included in the plan of study.**

10.2.1.2 For a bachelor's degree, **(a)** the registration in and completion of at least 32 credits of resident course credit at the 200 level or above, including at least 15 credits at the 300 level or above in courses applicable to the major and **(b) the completion of the general education requirement, the diversity component, and the other requirements included in the plan of study.**

10.2.2 Normally, completion of the entire final year in residence. However, with the approval of the student's school/division, a student who has satisfied the resident course credit requirement may complete the remaining requirements in another approved college or university.

10.2.3 Establishment of a graduation GPA of 2.00 or better.

10.2.4 Registration, either in residence or in absentia, as a candidate for the desired degree during the academic session immediately preceding its conferral.

10.3 Double majors and double degrees. The academic units sponsoring programs shall certify completion by the student of each degree and any second major that may have been completed.

10.3.1 Double major. A student who completes the requirements for more than one program will be awarded a degree with a double major if (1) the requirements are completed at the same time, (2) the programs are offered by the same school or division and the same university at IPFW, and (3) the programs lead to the same degree, where "the same degree" means a B.A. (IU or Purdue) or a B.F.A. or a B.S. (PU only) or a B.S.C., etc.

10.3.2 Double degree. A student who completes all requirements for more than one program will be awarded two degrees if the above requirements for a double major are not satisfied, except

that Purdue University students who complete requirements for a second Purdue University major leading to the same degree in the same school or division as originally earned shall have this major noted on their transcripts but shall not receive a second degree.

10.4 Graduation with distinction. A candidate for the bachelor's degree with distinction must have a minimum of 65 resident credits included in the computation of the graduation GPA. A candidate for an associate degree with distinction must have a minimum of 35 resident credits included in the computation of the graduation GPA. The required GPA, calculated each spring as outlined below, shall also apply to degrees for the following summer sessions and fall semester.

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10.4.1 In each school or division, the minimum graduation GPA for graduation with distinction from a bachelor's-degree program shall be at least 3.50, but never less than the ninetieth percentile of the graduation GPA of the school or division's graduates.

10.4.2 In each school or division, the minimum graduation GPA for graduation with highest distinction from a bachelor's-degree program shall be at least 3.80, but never less than the ninety-seventh percentile of the graduation GPA of the school or division's graduates.

10.4.3 In each school or division, the requirements for graduation with distinction or with highest distinction from an associate-degree program shall be separately calculated as outlined above for bachelor's-degree programs.

10.5 Conferring of degrees. Degrees may be granted as of the close of each academic session. The names of the degree nominees will be presented by the Registrar to the appropriate board of trustees for approval.