

Revision of B.O.G. Statute 2.34.09.040

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors approve the revision of statute section 2.34.09.040 to amend and clarify the language to bring this statute into compliance with our admissions policies, effective immediately.

Policy Description

2.34.09 Admissions; General Undergraduate

Proposed revision to section 2.34.040

Transfer Applicants. A transfer applicant may be admitted, without consideration of high school work, upon completion of at least twenty-four (24) semester hours of transferable college-level work from an accredited college or university with an overall Grade Point Average of 2.5. If the applicant has fewer than twenty-four (24) semester hours of transferable college-level work, the applicant may be admitted provided provisions 2.34.09.030 are met, subject to a holistic evaluation of each student's record. Individual courses with grades below "C" will not be accepted for transfer.

Current statute language

2.34.09 Admissions; General Undergraduate

2.34.09.040

Transfer Applicants. A transfer applicant may be admitted, without consideration of high school work, upon completion of at least twenty-four (24) semester hours of transferable college-level work from an accredited college or university with an overall Grade Point Average of 2.5 and with no courses below a C grade for transferable credit. If the applicant has fewer than twenty-four (24) semester hours of transferable college-level work, the applicant may be admitted provided provisions 2.34.09.030 are met, subject to a holistic evaluation of each student's record.

Background

The proposed language will clarify, not alter, current transfer and admission policies.

Section 2.34.09.040 should be revised to make it clear that the 2.5 GPA requirements apply to the admission decision and the grade of "C" or better applies to a single course transfer decision. The current phrasing was introduced when Wayne State changed the admission requirements in 2012. However, as currently stated, this section can be interpreted to read that WSU will not admit students whose transcript indicates any courses with grades below "C" in courses which

are transferrable for credit. What should be stated is that students need a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better in previous coursework and that courses with grades below “C” will not be accepted for transfer credit. The proposed phrasing makes this clear.

Approvals

This revision has been approved by the Office of the University Registrar, the Office of Admissions, and the Office of the Provost.