

Assembly review starts 8/15/16

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

TRANSMITTAL OF FACULTY SENATE LEGISLATION

(Faculty Senate legislation is to be submitted to the chancellor to approve or disapprove within ten calendar days of the Faculty Senate action. The chancellor may approve or veto any Faculty Senate legislation within a period from the eleventh through the twenty-fifth calendar day after such action has been presented, unless the Assembly has been petitioned to amend or rescind the Faculty Senate legislation. In the latter case, the chancellor's approval or veto shall be made no later than fifteen calendar days after the Assembly has voted on and failed to approve a motion to amend or rescind a legislative action of the Faculty Senate. The chancellor shall provide written reasons for a veto to the Faculty Senate.)

To the Chancellor of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock:

The following resolution/legislation passed the UALR Faculty Senate on May 6, 2016. Motion FS_2016_22. Graduate Council (Legislation. Requires majority vote at one Faculty Senate meeting, no second required) Graduate Student Regulations

Be it Resolved that legislation from the February 16, 1990 faculty senate meeting regarding graduate admissions requirements be modified as follows (underline denotes addition, strikethrough denotes deletion):

Graduate Admission Status

A student may be granted admission to the Graduate School in one of the following categories.

Regular

~~Students who have completed all admission forms, have an undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.7 overall or 3.0 on the last 60 hours (out of a possible 4.0), and meet the standards of a particular graduate degree program may be admitted as regular students. Students holding master's degrees or other advanced degrees must show evidence of satisfactory graduate performance (usually 3.0 or above grade point average).~~

Regular Admission to a UALR graduate program requires that the applicant be in good standing with all previous institutions and meet at least one of the following requirements:

- A baccalaureate degree with a cumulative GPA of 2.7/4.0 from a regionally-accredited, domestic institution or an international institution recognized by the International Association of Universities with substantially the same undergraduate program as found at UALR.
- A baccalaureate degree with a GPA of 3.0/4.0 in the last 60 hours from a regionally-accredited, domestic institution or an international institution recognized by the International Association of Universities with substantially the same undergraduate program as found at UALR.
- An advanced degree (master's or doctoral) with a cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 from a regionally accredited, domestic institution or an international institution recognized by the International Associate of Universities.

International students should refer to the Graduate School International Student Admission Policy for additional required application materials.

In addition to the minimum requirements stipulated above, students must satisfy the requirements of the program to which they are applying in order to be granted regular status. Students should consult the Graduate Catalog for program specific admission requirements. Some degree programs require that the scores from standardized tests, such as the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Miller Analogies Test (MAT), or Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), be submitted as part of the application portfolio. Generally, scores more than five years old are not accepted. Test scores alone do not determine admission to a program, but are one piece of data used in the consideration process. Letters of recommendation, statements of purpose, and personal interviews are also used to assess a student's preparedness for and probability of success in a program.

Students must complete all admission forms to be considered for regular admissions.

Conditional

Students who have supplied all admission materials and did not meet all admission requirements have at least a 2.5 average, and meet the standards of a particular graduate degree program may be admitted as conditional students. Persons admitted in

this category must achieve at least a 3.0 grade point average on their first 12 hours of graduate course work. Students will be dismissed if their grade point average is not above the 3.0 at the end of the 12 hours period. Applicants who were previously dismissed, are on probation or otherwise not in good standing in another graduate or post baccalaureate program will be admitted on a conditional basis if at all.

Students who do not meet the criteria for either regular or conditional status may petition the Graduate School and a particular degree program for special consideration. These students will normally be expected to present other evidence of academic preparation such as test scores, written statement, letter of recommendation, or other supporting materials.

Students interested in pursuing a degree should discuss their situation with the graduate coordinator.

Applicants with an undergraduate cumulative GPA between 2.0 and 2.7 or a GPA between 2.7 and 3.0 in their last 60 hours may, in rare instances, be admitted conditionally if they meet alternative program requirements approved by the Graduate Council. The number of students that may be admitted without meeting the graduate school's minimum GPA requirements is limited to 10% of the official 3 year average program enrollment. Programs may petition the graduate school for an exception to this limit.

Test scores, grades in the undergraduate major, or other pertinent data approved for the program must indicate the student will perform satisfactorily in Graduate School.

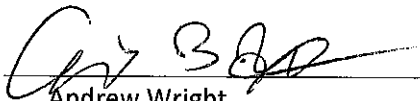
The student may be converted to Regular status after completing 9 hours if he or she maintains a GPA of 3.0 or higher. The student will be dismissed after the first 9 hours if his or her GPA is not at least 3.0 or satisfactory progress is not made towards meeting the admission requirements.

Special

Students not seeking a degree at UALR who have completed all admission forms and have an undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.7 (or 2.0 for conditional admission) may be admitted as special, non-degree seeking students. Enrollment of special students is prohibited by some programs. Some programs allow special students to enroll in a limited number of courses. Persons interested in this category should consult the academic program advisor or the Graduate School.

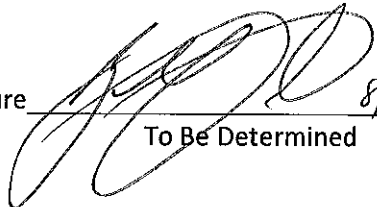
Transient

Students enrolled in another accredited graduate school and who secure a letter of good standing from the dean of that graduate school may be admitted to UALR as transient students.

Signature  (Faculty Senate President) Date 5/9/2016
Andrew Wright

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Chancellor's Action: APPROVED DISAPPROVED
(reasons to be attached)

Chancellor's Signature  Date 8/29/2016 ~~RECEIVED AUG 15 2016~~
To Be Determined