

The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at its Meeting # 87 on April 5, 1999:

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to amend the petition process (exceptions to academic policy) as follows:

CAPS = Additions  
[[ ]] = Deletions

1. For matters involving the CORE CURRICULUM: Faculty advisor, head of the department in the curricular area involved, through the Graduation Office to the chair of the Core Review Committee. An appeal of the chair's decision will be referred to the Provost for resolution.
2. For matters involving the MAJOR OR MINOR DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: Faculty advisor, department head in the major or minor area, to the Graduation Office. An appeal of this decision will be referred to the Dean in the major or minor area for resolution.
3. For OTHER matters: Faculty advisor, dean/director of the college/school of the student's major (who will consult with the appropriate department head(s)) to the Graduation Office. An appeal of this decision will be referred to the Provost for resolution.
4. FOR PETITIONS SEEKING TO WAIVE OR SUBSTITUTE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS OR OTHER MATTERS ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY, THE UAF COORDINATOR OF DISABILITY SERVICES WILL BE CONSULTED.

By the end of September, the Registrar's Office will supply the Curricular Affairs Committee with a brief summary of petition actions taken during the previous academic year.

EFFECTIVE: Immediately  
Upon Chancellor Approval

RATIONALE: The Senate's motion revising and simplifying the petition process did not make provisions for students with disabilities. Those who have interpreted the ADA and in particular Section 504 recommend that when petitions are sought on the basis of a student's disability, that the disability services office be consulted to determine if the student's documentation supports the request.

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The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at its Meeting # 87 on April 5, 1999:

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The UAF Faculty Senate authorizes the UAF Honors Program to institute an Honors Thesis Scholar Option as a part of its offering. Applicants for the Honors Thesis Scholar Option must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above, or a GPA of 3.5 for the semester preceding application. They will present a letter of application no later than the end of their junior year, along with two letters of recommendation, to the Director of the Honors Program. Students accepted to complete the Honors Thesis Scholar Option must complete 12 hours of credit in honors courses and must complete an Honors Thesis (paper, project, performance, or other substantial work agreed upon by the thesis committee) for 3 hours of credit in their senior year. Of the 12 hours of honors courses, a total of 9 may come from the honors core offering. At least 3 of the 12 hours must be accomplished as contract hours in connection with a regular upper-division course in the student's major. Graduates who successfully defend their honors thesis and fulfill course requirements will have "Honors Thesis Scholar" printed on their diploma and on their official transcript.

EFFECTIVE:       Immediately  
                  Upon Chancellor Approval

RATIONALE:       The Honors Program currently offers honors graduate designation to members of the program who successfully complete 27 hours of honors credit in addition to a 3-hour honors thesis and who maintain a 3.5 GPA. In the past, the honors program has best served the needs of students who enter UAF directly out of high school and has attracted an impressive number of National Merit Scholars and recipients of UAF Chancellor's scholarships. The addition of the Honors Thesis Scholar Option will enable the honors program to better satisfy the needs of nontraditional students, transfer students, and others who show promise later in their academic careers. The Honors Thesis Scholar Option would be available to all UAF students, whether on the main campus or residing away from Fairbanks. The Honors Thesis Scholar Option also would give UAF departments a way to encourage excellent students who show particular promise as they concentrate on upper-division courses in their major.

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The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at its Meeting # 87 on April 5, 1999:

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to amend Section 3 (Article V: Committees, Permanent) of the Bylaws by deleting E.2. (The Service Committee) and renumbering the remaining sections as appropriate.

EFFECTIVE:       Immediately

RATIONALE:       Duplication of the Provost's Outreach Working Group which includes a Senate representative. This action minimizes duplication and accomplishes the same result.

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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to recommend that the Provost continue to ask the Senate for representation on the Outreach Working Group.

EFFECTIVE:        Immediately

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The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at its Meeting # 87 on April 5, 1999:

MOTION REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE  
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The UAF Faculty Senate moves to recommend to the Provost that the following administrators be reviewed:

1999-2000

Executive Dean, College of Rural Alaska  
Director, School of Agriculture & Land Resource Management  
Director, UAF Museum  
Director, Institute of Marine Science  
Director, Bristol Bay Campus  
Director, Chukchi Campus  
Director, Interior-Aleutians Campus  
Director, Tanana Valley Campus  
Director, Geophysical Institute  
Dean, School of Fisheries & Ocean Sciences

2000-2001

Director of Library  
Dean of Graduate School  
Director, School of Mineral Engineering

2001-2002

Dean, College of Natural Resource Development & Management  
Director, School of Management  
Director, School of Education\*  
Dean, College of Liberal Arts\*  
Dean, College of Science, Engineering, & Math\*  
Director, Institute of Arctic Biology\*  
Director, Institute of Northern Engineering\*  
Director, Kuskokwim Campus  
Director, Northwest Campus  
Director, Alaska Cooperative Extension  
Director, Center for Distance Education

\*If present temporary person is still in place in 2001

EFFECTIVE:        Immediately

RATIONALE: The Appeals and Oversight Committee was tasked during fall semester 1998 with reviewing the policy for the evaluation of administrators. The primary qualification for selection for periodic review by the Provost's Office was administrators holding academic rank whose positions directly impact the academic programs and whose performance directly affects the ability of faculty to carry out their academic duties.

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The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at its Meeting # 87 on April 5, 1999:

RESOLUTION  
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BE IT RESOLVED, That the UAF Faculty Senate ratifies the election of Larry Duffy as President-Elect of the UAF Faculty Senate for 1999-2000 by acclamation.