PROPOSAL FOR UNCONDITIONAL ADMISSION

Youngstown State University
(as adopted by the Academic Senate, 13 July 1983)

Those students graduating from high school after September, 1985, desiring to pursue a baccalaureate program at Youngstown State University will be granted admission on an unconditional basis upon satisfactory completion of a course of study at the secondary level that includes the following courses:

- 4 units of English; with emphasis on composition 1
- 3 units of Mathematics; specifically Algebra I and II, and Plane Geometry
- 3 units of Science; including at least one unit of Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, or Physics. One unit should be a laboratory course; and
- 2 units of Social Science; specifically including one unit of U.S. History and one-half unit of U.S. Government

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- 2 units of Science; including at least one unit of Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, or Physics. One unit should be a laboratory course; and
- 3 units of Social Science; specifically including one unit of U.S. History and one-half unit of U.S. Government
- 2 units of one foreign language
- 1 unit of Fine and Performing Arts; specifically from the areas of music, art, or drama

Admission to certain programs may require specific levels of performance in the above areas.

Ohio residents who have graduated from high school without completing all of the above program will be admitted on the condition that their course of study includes prescribed courses aimed at correcting any deficiencies. Non-Ohio residents admitted, but without completing all of the above program, will likewise be expected to correct any deficiencies. A student admitted with deficiencies should realize that such courses will not count as credit toward fulfilling the baccalaureate requirements.

Rationale for the Recommendation

The above requirements are made in order that a student desiring to pursue a course of study leading to the baccalaureate degree at this university may be alerted to the preparation deemed desirable and necessary to increase his/her likelihood of success in such pursuit.

All students, regardless of their status at admission, are required to take the English Placement Test before enrolling in composition courses. Although students with four years of English are not considered deficient in English, they, nevertheless, must meet entrance requirements for English 550 as measured by the EPT or take the appropriate courses designed to develop those skills necessary for entrance into English 550. If students with only 3 units successfully test into English 550 at the time of entrance, their deficiency in English will be removed.

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Procedure for Overcoming Deficiencies

Deficiencies must be compensated for within the first 90 q.h. at Youngstown State University. Compensation is achieved by successfully completing appropriate courses taken from a designated list of courses. None of these designated courses will count toward the degree requirements for the baccalaureate degree.

Implementation

While a student is in the process of correcting his/her deficiencies in order to attain unconditional status, the following procedures and guidelines will be in effect:

- 1. Advisors' signatures will be required on all advisement and add/drop forms.
- 2. The student must register for at least one course aimed at removing a deficiency each quarter until reaching unconditional status.
- 3. The student is expected to achieve unconditional status within the first 90 q.h. No upper division courses, except those aimed at removing deficiencies, can be taken until unconditional status is achieved.

Addendum

The academic senate is requested—to establish an ad hoc committee to investigate the possible burdens or disparate effects that may be created because of the institution of this policy.