

Longwood University Faculty Senate
PROPOSAL/POLICY COVER SHEET

This cover sheet is intended to provide information to members of the Faculty Senate about a new proposal/policy or about revisions to an existing proposal/policy. **If you are proposing a new policy, then attach the text of the policy to this form. If you are proposing a change to an existing policy, then attach the text of the current policy with any deleted language marked by a strikethrough and with new language marked by an underline. If you are deleting a policy, then attach the text of the policy to be deleted.**

COMMITTEE(S) that authored or sponsored this proposal:

Graduate Curriculum Committee

TOPIC: Change to the minimum GPA required for senior undergraduates to take graduate level coursework and earn graduate credit.

BACKGROUND (Provide a brief statement describing the origins of this proposal, the nature of the problem it addresses, and the work completed to devise the proposal)

Senior undergraduates are allowed to take up to six credits of 500-level graduate courses for graduate credit if they have a 3.00 overall GPA.

SUMMARY OF NEW POLICY OR PROPOSED CHANGES OR DELETIONS TO AN EXISTING POLICY (Provide a brief list or statement describing the content of the policy or the proposed changes or deletions):

Current Undergraduate and Graduate Catalog Copy with change in bold:

SENIOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

A senior at Longwood University may take up to six (6) hours of graduate credit beyond the undergraduate degree requirements. Such credit may be earned only in 500-level courses and, if it meets course requirements for the degree, may be counted toward a Master's degree. The senior must have a ~~"B" average (3.0 GPA or higher)~~ overall **an overall GPA that meets the minimum GPA required for admission to the graduate program which offers the course** and must receive permission from the department chair of their major and then the Dean of the College of Graduate and Professional Studies. In any case where an undergraduate student is registered for a 500-level course that is to be applied to a graduate degree, the Dean of the College of Graduate and Professional Studies must notify the Office of the Registrar of this designation.

RATIONALE FOR THE POLICY OR PROPOSED CHANGES (Provide a brief statement as to why the new policy, the changes, or the deletion is needed):

Minimum overall GPA requirements for admission vary from 2.75 to 3.00. Making this change allows students to take graduate courses by meeting the same requirement they must have for admission to that program.

Date submitted to Senate Executive Committee for Consideration: _____

Action(s) Taken:

Date first read at Faculty Senate: _____

Action(s) Taken:

Date final action taken by Faculty Senate: _____

Final action(s) Taken: