



MOTION TO FGA

BASIC INFORMATION

Name of Motion: Graduate Admission Transcript Requirements

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Department/College: Enrollment Management

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It is moved that:

a University policy be adapted to lower the Graduate Admission requirements with the ability to set higher expectations by each program.

Rationale (200 words or fewer):

Current language: Official transcripts from all previous coursework from accredited, degree-granting colleges or universities, including the institution that granted the applicant's undergraduate degree.

New language: Official transcript(s) from accredited colleges or universities that:

- Granted the applicant's undergraduate degree
- Granted the applicant's graduate degree
- Demonstrated program prerequisite(s) have been met
- Demonstrated completion of transfer graduate coursework

Current Language: Additional specific admission criteria, including grade point average, are listed under each individual graduate program.

New language: Specific graduate programs often require additional supplemental application materials such as all undergraduate and graduate transcripts, a statement of purpose, a resume or curriculum vita, letters of recommendation, etc. Additional admission criteria are listed under each individual graduate program.

This policy would allow programs to meet minimum guidelines for acceptance into masters and doctoral level programs while further allowing specific programs to set higher standards and/or meet governmental regulations requiring all transcripts be submitted for application review. The new statement clarifies ambiguity from the prior statement while allowing for specific programs to begin operating under the same protocol while following the proper process and catalog guidelines.

Advantages to the student include a more accessible application review process requiring less financial investment prior to acceptance. Programs that require

additional transcripts that do not meet the criteria listed above need to submit catalog additions to each departmental admissions' pages.

Proposed Date of Implementation: July, 2019

Financial Impact (describe/list projected amounts):

- a. Faculty: \$
- b. New Library Holdings: \$
- c. Equipment: \$
- d. Audio-visual / software: \$
- e. Other: \$

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please complete If approved, distribute to the following:

- X Catalog
- X Registrar
 - Advising
 - Fontbonne Policy Manual Volume I
 - Student Handbook
 - Part-time Faculty Manual
 - Other: