

Proposal to the Senate Educational Policy Committee and the Council on Student Conduct Expectations and Accountability

PROPOSAL TITLE: Revise Section 3-404 of the *Student Code*

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Proposed to revise the Bronze Tablet criteria in 3-404 to be in alignment with the new forty-five-hour residency requirement.

JUSTIFICATION: The change in residency requirement from sixty University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign credit hours to forty-five University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign credit hours necessitates a revision of the criteria for the Bronze Tablet. The current requirement states transfer students must earn forty or more credit hours at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign through the academic term prior to their graduation term, which is twenty hours fewer than the past sixty-hour residency requirement. We are proposing changing the requirement to twenty-five or more credit hours at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign through the academic term prior to their graduation term, which is twenty hours fewer than the new forty-five-hour residency requirement.

Please see the attached proposed changes for specifics.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE TERM: Fall, 2024

§ 3-404 UNIVERSITY HONORS – BRONZE TABLET

- a. Sustained academic achievement is recognized by inscribing the student's name on the Bronze Tablet, which hangs on a wall of the Library. To qualify, undergraduate students must:
 1. have at least a 3.5 (A = 4.0) cumulative grade-point average for all work taken at the university through the academic term prior to their graduation term; and
 2. rank, on the basis of their cumulative grade-point average (including University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and transfer work, if any) through the academic term prior to their graduation term, in the top 3 percent of the students in their college graduating class.
- b. Transfer students, in addition to meeting the general rules for qualification, must satisfy two additional requirements: (1) they must have cumulative University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign grade-point averages as high as the lowest ones listed for students in their college who qualify on the basis of having completed all of their work at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign; and (2) they must earn ~~twenty-five~~forty or more semester hours at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign through the academic term prior to their graduation term.
- c. For the purpose of this award, college graduating class means all students receiving bachelor's degrees from the same University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign college between July 1 of each year and June 30 of the next.
- d. For the purpose of this award, academic term prior to graduation means: for August graduates, the preceding spring semester; for October graduates, the preceding spring semester; for December graduates, the preceding summer session; for May graduates, the preceding fall semester. The list will be determined each year following the availability of grades for the fall semester.