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QUALIFICATIONS FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Academic Senate Policy #S82-68

At its meeting of February 23, 1982, the Academic Senate approved the following amended proposal:

Student activities are viewed as complementary to the regular programs of instruction in the University. Students participating in activities, especially in positions of responsibility, should not view such participation as an end in itself but rather as: 1) an experience in which each may test and develop in a given situation theories learned in the classroom; 2) an opportunity for personal development in a) rendering of service to others, b) learning to undertake and discharge responsibilities, c) democratic leadership and citizenship, d) skill in human relations, and e) effective use of leisure time.

Opportunities for leadership should be given to those students who give clear evidence of fulfilling their primary mission in the University, the meeting of their academic requirements. By setting standards of eligibility, the following benefits are derived: a) participating students will be selected who will tend to perform without jeopardy to their academic careers and with greater possibility that they may apply their academic learning to specific situations, and b) there will tend to be better continuity and development in their fields of activity.

Candidates for and incumbents of the Board of Director, Legislature, Judicial Court and all A. S. appointments must make reasonable progress toward an educational goal in order to meet requirements of the Board of Trustees.

Progress toward an educational goal is considered to be met by the enrollment of a student in a course of study leading to a baccalaureate degree, teaching credential, or graduate degree at the University.

Reasonable progress is defined as follows:

1. In order to file for candidacy or appointment, a student must have:
   1. a) An all-college GPA of 2.0
   2. b) A San Francisco State University GPA of 2.0
   3. c) Earned no fewer than a total of 7 semester units of academic credit at SFSU in each of the two most recent semesters, maintaining an average GPA of 2.0 as an undergraduate, or an average of 3.0 as a graduate.
   4. d) Freshmen must have earned a 2.0 in their senior year of high school.
   5. e) Transfer students must have earned no fewer than 7 semester units of academic credit in each of the two most recent semesters and maintained a GPA of at least 2.0 for undergraduate work.
   6. f) First-year graduate students must have earned no fewer than 7 semester units of academic credit at a university in each of the two most recent semesters and maintained an average GPA of at least 2.0 if undergraduate or an average 3.0 if graduate.
   7. g) All candidates must earn a minimum of 7 units upon completion of the semester in which the election is held, earning a 2.0 GPA if undergraduate, or a 3.0 if a graduate.
   8. h) No student on academic probation or disciplinary probation shall be considered for the above posts.

2. Incumbents of the offices mentioned above must earn, with a GPA of at least 2.0 for undergraduates or 3.0 for graduates each semester, a minimum of 7 units of academic credit each semester while in office, excluding summer sessions and extension courses. Incumbents shall not be on either academic or disciplinary probation.

3. All appointments, with the exception of the Board of Directors, Legislature and Judicial Court shall extend for the period of one year.

*** APPROVED BY PRESIDENT ROMBERG, MARCH 1, 1982 ***