MEMORANDUM

TO: The Senate
FROM: Educational Policy Committee
DATE: November 16, 1984
SUBJ: Revision to Academic Regulations--Purdue University
DISPOSITION: For information only

The Educational Policy Committee has informed the Purdue University-West Lafayette Educational Policy Committee that it endorses the revision to the academic regulations as described in the attached memorandum.

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Attachment
To: Educational Policy Committee, Purdue University Regional Campuses
From: Nicholas G. Popovich, Ph.D., Chairperson
Educational Policy Committee, W. Lafayette, IN Campus
Date: October 10, 1984.
Subject: Revision to Academic Regulations

The modification to the University's academic regulations which was adopted last year dealing with the computation of the undergraduate graduation index provides clearly defined guidelines for determining when a grade may be deleted from the graduation index. These guidelines, while being most helpful in the majority of cases, have created problems for some of the schools in dealing with remedial courses.

Many students come to the University with inadequate preparation in various academic disciplines, making it necessary for them to take one or more remedial courses before enrolling in courses which fulfill requirements for a degree program. While the remedial course cannot be counted toward any degree program, the existing academic regulations do not allow the school to delete the remedial course from the graduation index. The result is that the credit hours associated with the remedial course continue to appear on the record as usable hours, confusing the student and some advisors, and the course is often reflected as fulfilling an elective requirement on the academic progress report.

This proposed revision has been approved by the Educational Policy Committee, W. Lafayette campus. It is being forwarded to your committee for your reaction and to ensure that this does not conflict in any way with your programs of study.

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Part J - Scholastic Indexes
2. The graduation index for an undergraduate student is a weighted average of all grades received by the student while in the curriculum in which he/she is enrolled plus all other grades received in courses taken in other curricula offered by the University and properly accepted under procedures established in Section II-E for satisfying the requirements of the school in which the student

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2. (No change)
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is enrolled. With the consent of his/her academic adviser, a student may repeat a course. In the case of a course which has been repeated or in which a conditional grade has been improved by examination or for which a course of substantially equivalent content and level, as designated and properly authorized by the department offering the original course, has been substituted, the most recent grade received shall be used.

The grade in a remedial level course, as identified by the student's school, may be deleted from the graduation index upon the recommendation of the student's school.