SPECIAL REPORT

of the

ACADEMIC MATTERS COUNCIL

concerning

ENROLLMENT REGULATIONS FOR CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES FOR DISMISSED AND SUSPENDED STUDENTS

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I. **Background/Rationale**

During the Fall 2008 semester, the Registrar’s Office (John Lenzi and Cynthia Boissonneault) brought to the attention of the Faculty Senate Office, among others, that there were discrepancies in the Academic Regulations concerning undergraduate dismissed and suspended students who want to take Continuing and Professional Education (CPE) courses. In particular, the Academic Regulations state in three sections (Section II, Paragraph D.3, page 9; Section VI, Paragraph K.4, page 25; “Enrollment Regulations for CPE”, Section III, Paragraph F, page 35) that students who are suspended or dismissed can take CPE courses if they have “permission” of the “undergraduate dean.”

However, two other sections (Section III, Paragraph D, page 10; Section III, Paragraph F.2, page 11) state that dismissed and suspended students are “not eligible to enroll in Continuing and Professional Education” with no caveat of the permission of the undergraduate dean.

The Registrar’s Office has asked for clarification in order to correct and ensure consistency within the Academic Regulations.

II. **AMC Observations**

The AMC recognizes that every student’s situation is different. A blanket statement restricting ALL students from taking CPE courses while under academic discipline removes the flexibility of the academic undergraduate dean to allow an individual student to take a CPE course. The student’s undergraduate dean, who would know firsthand what is going on with this student, should be granted the ability to allow a student to take CPE courses if the student’s situation calls for such flexibility.

III. **AMC Recommendation**

The Council recommends that the Academic Regulations be changed/corrected, where appropriate, to reflect the following: That students who are suspended or dismissed can take CPE courses if they have “permission” of the “undergraduate dean.”

**MOVED:** That the Faculty Senate approve the Report and Recommendation of the AMC concerning Enrollment Regulations for Continuing and Professional Education Courses for Dismissed and Suspended Students, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 09-017.