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Ex-Officio Committee, Chair of Faculty Advisory Committee on Undergraduate Admissions

1999-00 Annual Report

Members: Laurence Avery (Vice Chair, Division of the Humanities); Evan Bonds (Alternate for Fine Arts Division); Richard T. Froyen (Alternate for Social Sciences Division); Madeline Grumet (Dean, School of Education); Joanne G. Marshall (Dean, School of Information and Library Sciences); Royce Murray (Vice Chair, Division of the Natural Sciences).

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Ex Officio Members: Bernadette Gray-Little (Senior Assoc. Dean, College of Arts and Sciences); Carolyn Cannon (Associate Dean, General College); Fred Clark (Assoc. Dean, Academic Services); John Evans (ACC/NCAA Faculty Representative); Susan Kitchen (Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs); David Lanier (University Registrar); Jerome Lucido (Director, Undergraduate Admissions); Shirley Ort (Director, Student Aid); Lynn Williford (Director, Institutional Research).

Meetings during past year: September 15, 1999; November 3, 1999; February 9, 2000; April 12, 2000.

Report prepared by: Jerome Lucido, Associate Provost and Director of Admissions and Bernadette Gray-Little, Chair, Faculty Advisory Committee and Senior Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences.

Report of activities:

[See comparative statistics (attached).]

1. Modified procedures for the presentation and review of credentials for prospective student-athletes. The new procedures permit earlier review of student-athlete credentials and the opportunity for coaches to receive feedback from Undergraduate Admissions and the Subcommittee on Admission of Student-Athletes.
2. Sub-committees reviewed and made recommendations on admission cases for student-athletes and students with learning disabilities; and the full committee received a report on admission of students with talent in music and theater arts.
3. Developed and conducted a faculty phone-a-thon for the purpose of recruiting outstanding prospective students.
4. Approved a proposal to require the SAT of junior transfer applicants; reconsidered and withdrew the requirement after meeting with state community college officials.

5. Reviewed and reinforced a policy enacted in 1998-99 to rebalance enrollments among sophomore and junior transfer students in order to enroll the most academically prepared transfer class possible.
6. Discussed the recruitment of international undergraduates in relation to the highly competitive non-resident pool and in light of the lack of scholarships and student aid available them.
7. Reviewed results of the inaugural year of a binding Early Decision option for freshman applicants. Approximately 900 of 3420 new freshmen applied and were admitted under the binding program.