

Resolution 2000-8. On Grading Standards.

Sec. 1. The Faculty Council authorizes the appointment by the Chair of the Faculty of a Task Force on Grading Standards with a duration of one academic year. This task force shall be responsible for disseminating information on undergraduate grading practices to the University community. Collecting information from deans of schools, departmental chairs, faculty, students, and others, organizing a major faculty council discussion, and proposing actions for faculty council approval.

Sec. 2. The Task Force on Grading Standards shall, during the coming academic year, disseminate to the University community—including faculty, deans and chairs—quantitative information on grading practices that can be used for departmental review and discussion. This information will include the current definitions of letter grades under which the faculty currently works.

Sec. 3. The Faculty Council, acting through the Task Force, shall request of schools and departments formal responses to the report on grading standards and to specific questions to be developed by the Task Force.

Sec. 4. The Task Force shall present its findings to the Faculty Council and participate in a major discussion of the results of those findings.

Sec. 5. The Task Force shall present a final report to the Faculty Council, including resolutions for further faculty action, by the end of the academic year 2000-2001.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Faculty Council on April 28, 2000.

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