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**STUDENT CONDUCT AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION**

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That the Yeager Scholar's request for Special Group Registration for second semester freshmen and first and second semester sophomores be granted for the duration of one academic year.

RATIONALE: The Yeager Scholars gave the following justification for their request:

- * Yeager Scholars need to enroll, as freshmen and sophomores, in appropriate language courses. The Yeagers are required to take at least 18 credits in foreign languages. Since the program involves a study-abroad option in the junior year, foreign language credits should be completed before the end of the sophomore year. In addition, Yeager Scholars are required to enroll in a seminar which meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 3:30, which precludes their enrollment in regular classes which meet at that time.

The committee determined that the Yeager's request does meet the established criteria for the following reasons:

1. No other group of students is required to take as many credits in foreign language.
2. Scheduling these courses around the Yeager seminar and other courses needed by the student, and before the first semester of the junior year, does indeed comprise a situation which no other students face.
3. Scheduling special sections of certain courses for Yeagers is not practical. The number of Yeager Scholars does not merit special sections of any course. Even if there were enough Yeagers, separating them from the rest of the student body would negate the University's reasons for having them here in the first place.

Many Yeager Scholars are behind in their language requirements because many Marshall students wait until they are upperclassmen to take their language classes. This makes it difficult for underclassmen to enroll in language courses.

The original policy on Special Group Registration recommended the use of overloads to solve registration problems. Since overloads are no longer available (except for graduating seniors, and at a Dean's discretion), this is no longer a viable option for solving registration problems. The Committee recommends the approval of SGR for Yeager Scholars for one year in the hope that the University will review the "no overloads" policy.

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