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To approve the following policy on the use of the GRE:

1) Delete the requirement of taking the GRE as a condition of candidacy.

2) The GRE (or GMAT for College of Business students) must be taken prior to admission to the graduate school with the exception of international and students in off-campus classes who may initially enroll without the GRE but who will be barred from subsequent registration until official GRE scores are reported to the university. Non-degree seeking students are exempt from this requirement, but must take the GRE prior to changing their status to degree seeking.

3) Minimum GRE scores can be established at the department level.

4) Undecided students, and those applying to departments that have not established separate standards, will be admitted to the graduate school as regular graduate students on the following basis. GRE scores will be used in conjunction with undergraduate GPAs to determine admission status to the graduate school. To be admitted with regular status, those students taking the GRE must achieve an undergraduate GPA of 2.5 plus a 1500 score on the GRE (total of the three subtests) or a GPA of 3.0 plus a 1200 score on the GRE. Students not meeting these standards may be provisionally admitted to the graduate school. Provisional status requires obtaining a 3.0 in the first 18 hours of graduate work to be fully admitted.

RATIONALE: These admissions requirements will enhance the quality of education provided by this institution. They promote higher standards for admissions to the graduate school while not restricting flexibility for provisional admissions or restricting colleges or departments from setting other standards for minimum GRE scores. The information provided by GRE scores will be available at the start of a graduate student's program so that advising capabilities will be enhanced and the school and the students will benefit from more timely and useful information about GRE performance.

FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT:

APPROVED                  DATE: 4/25/91
BY SENATE: Kathlyn Hejduk

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COMMENTS:
Amended on the Senate floor. See related recommendations SR-90-91-(108)260(FS)
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