

REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC PLANNING COMMITTEE
To the regular March 1996 Senate

MOTION A

ACAPLAN recommends that Senate approves the creation of an accreditation system for faculty members involved in graduate teaching and research.

MOTION B

ACAPLAN recommends that Senate approves the establishment of a set of minimum academic standards for accreditation to the School of Graduate Studies.

Set of Minimum Academic Standards :

- a) Members research and teaching will be reviewed every three to three and a half years (in keeping with the OCGS seven year cycle of appraisals).
- b) The minimum University wide research norm for accreditation to work with graduate students is the equivalent of two articles in peered reviewed journals over a four year period. Each academic unit involved in graduate studies may set a higher norm for its own members. The quality of supervision of students and teaching must also be considered in the accreditation review.
- c) A review committee for each academic unit comprised of the Dean of the Academic Units Faculty, the Director of Graduate Studies, the chair of the academic unit to which the member belongs and the coordinator of the graduate program. If the chair or coordinator are under review an alternative senior member of the academic unit will serve.

RATIONALE

See attached report.

**A FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES
to Meet National Norms**

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