

TO: Faculty Senate
FROM: Admissions Committee

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SENATE ON March 4, 1992

PROPOSAL: As in the past, students who have the required high school coursework, but whose predicted grade point ratio is less than that necessary for regular admission (which shall now be 2.15) but is greater than or equal to 1.75 shall be ~~eligible for~~ the Provisional Year program. ~~In addition, these entering freshman should~~ be those who present strong evidence for future academic growth and performance, including those who have (1) high class rank but marginal SAT scores, or (2) high SAT scores but marginal class rank, or (3) special talents in disciplines such as art or music.

The maximum enrollment in this program shall remain at 250 students. Priority will be given to South Carolina residents. In that regard, the out-of-state to in-state ratio of students enrolled in the Provisional Year program shall not normally exceed that same ratio as it existed among regularly admitted students in the previous freshman class.

Note : If approved by the Faculty Senate, this proposal will accompany the action passed by the Senate on February 5, 1992, which raised the minimum projected grade point ratio needed for regular freshman admission to USC-Columbia to 2.15. Both of these policies relating to freshman admissions will become effective with applications to the class entering in the Fall of 1993.