TO: The University Senate Educational Policy Committee

FROM: Educational Policy Committee

SUBJECT: Transcript notations

DISPOSITION: University Senate for Discussion

CAMPUSES: System wide

REFERENCES: Student Regulations- Scholastic Records

RATIONALE:

Review of University policies and regulations has revealed occasional statements that do not align. The office of the Registrar and the Educational Policy Committee would like to clarify these statements. One of the issues involves notations of disciplinary actions on a student's transcript. For instance, the policy on Regulations Governing Student Conduct, Disciplinary Proceedings and Appeals, section A.5 (Definitions-Degree Revocation) reads: "Degree revocation means rescinding a degree previously awarded by the University. In cases where a degree revocation sanction has been issued, it will be noted on the student's academic transcript on a permanent basis." While the academic regulation on Scholastic Records, section E. (Record of Actions on Transcripts) reads: "No entry of disciplinary action shall be recorded on transcripts". In the spring of 2015, the Office of the Registrar was authorized to add notations to the transcript regarding degree revocation. EPC would like to formalize this change by explicitly stating which categories of disciplinary action will be noted on the transcript.

CURRENT

From the Academic Regulation on Scholastic Records, copies below and found electronically at the following

address: http://www.purdue.edu/studentregulations/regulations_procedures/scholrecords.html

A Good Standing

For purposes of reports and communications to other institutions or agencies, and in the absence of any further qualifications of the term, a student shall be considered in good standing unless he/she has been dismissed, suspended, or dropped from the University and not readmitted.

B Transcripts

Any student or former student of the University whose record is not encumbered for any reasons described hereafter shall, upon written application to the registrar, be entitled to receive (1) a transcript of his/her complete record and/or (2) a certificate of completion. The registrar is authorized to issue such records upon the written request of the student or former student. The transcript shall consist of a full and complete copy of the student's academic record.

C The Certificate of Completion

The certificate of completion shall contain:

a summary of the courses successfully completed; and (3) a statement, "This is a summary of the courses successfully completed. An official transcript showing all courses taken may be obtained from the registrar, upon authorization by the student."

issued only to students who have completed at least two semesters of resident work in the University. A certificate fee shall be charged for each copy of this certificate.

D Encumbrance

A student's official record may be encumbered:

- 1. By the comptroller for nonpayment of fees, deposits, residence hall charges, or any other sums owed to the University.
- By the Business Office Student Organizations, countersigned by the dean of students, in the case of a responsible officer or officers of any student organization that has a delinquent account due to the University.
- 3. By the dean of students for disciplinary reasons.
- 4. By the director of the Student Health Center countersigned by the dean of students, for medical reasons. A degree candidate who is in arrears to the University may be denied his/her diploma until his/her financial record is cleared.

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- E Record of Actions on Transcripts

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- F Replacement of Diplomas (Board of Trustees minutes, July 10, 1975)

A replacement diploma shall be issued to the original holder, upon his/her affidavit, certifying to the loss or damage of the original diploma and upon payment of the cost of reproducing the diploma in its original format.

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E Record of Actions on Transcripts

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Disciplinary actions will not be recorded on transcripts unless disciplinary actions involve involuntary separation from the University (e.g., suspension and or expulsion), or degree revocation. In these instances, the following notations will be added to the transcript:

1. Suspension

The following statement will be added to the transcript while the suspension is in place. Once the suspension ends, regardless of whether or not the student returns to the University, the statement will no longer appear on the academic record.

"The student has been suspended until [insert date] due to violation of University regulations."

2. Expulsion

The following statement will be added to the transcript and remain a permanent part of the transcript.

"The student was expelled due to violation of University regulations."

3. Degree revocation

The following statement will be added to the transcript and remain a permanent part of the transcript.

"The individual's degree has been revoked and this individual has been expelled due to violation of University regulations."

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Submitted by Educational Policy Committee

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