



**S99-6**

At its meeting of April 5, 1999, the Academic Senate passed the following Policy Recommendation presented by Ann Doordan for the Curriculum and Research Committee.

**POLICY RECOMMENDATION**  
**GRADING ON SKILLS COURSES**

- Whereas: S90-9 permits a grade of C- in English 1A, and a grade of C- in a mathematical concepts course, to satisfy the CSU requirements for SJSU students in these two General Education basic skills areas, and
- Whereas: CSU admission requirements for transfer students have changed substantially such that incoming transfer students must now have satisfied all of their GE basic skills areas with a grade of C or better, and
- Whereas: SJSU should not permit its native students to satisfy a systemwide GE requirement with a grade lower than that required of transfer students, and
- Whereas: S95-5 specifies that "All courses satisfying General Education written communication requirements (IA, IB, II) shall be graded A, B, C/No Credit," and
- Whereas: these written communication courses are the only SJSU courses subject to the A, B, C, No Credit grading system ( by F88-6), and
- Whereas: there should be grading consistency in these three written communication courses, therefore be it
- Resolved: that S90-9 is rescinded, and be it further
- Resolved: that, as a clarification to F88-6, the A, B, C, No Credit grading option shall be restricted to a minimum grade of C for the award of credit and that the grade of C- shall not be allowed in courses graded ABC/No Credit, and be it further
- Resolved: that the minimum grade for satisfying the General Education requirement in courses approved for mathematical concepts, critical thinking and oral communication shall be C, and be it further
- Resolved: that in any situation wherein a substitution has been allowed for the three written communication courses or for the mathematical concepts, critical thinking or oral communications courses, such substitution - whether it be for an individual or a program - shall also be passed at the level of C or higher in order to satisfy the General Education requirement.
- Resolved: that implementation will begin Fall 1999

**ACTION BY UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** "Approved" signed by Robert Caret on April 23, 1999.