

GRADUATE COUNCIL RESOLUTION REGARDING THE INDIA PILOT PROJECT AND INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT RECRUITMENT

WHEREAS, of the India Pilot Project admitted applicants, 106 of 132 unofficial IELTS scores do not meet the Graduate School requirement of at least a 6.5 IELTS; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council is concerned that the India Pilot Project has resulted in a large number of graduate students being admitted to the University who do not meet minimum Graduate School admission requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council is concerned that in the case of the India Pilot Project, normal Graduate School admissions policies and procedures have not been followed; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council is concerned the originally agreed upon India Pilot Project admission criteria have not been upheld; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council is concerned that in the case of the India Pilot Project several departments are experiencing unusual administrative pressures to review and admit graduate applicants they normally would not admit; and

WHEREAS, the identification of students who are participating in the India Pilot Project should be coded and entered by Graduate School personnel only. Furthermore, graduate student application materials and records should only be managed by the Graduate School; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Council is concerned that many of the India Pilot Project's students will encounter significant academic difficulties;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Graduate Council recommend the Academic Programs currently considering admission of the India Pilot Project applicants and the Dean of the Graduate School follow existing Graduate School admissions criteria and procedures when making admission recommendations or admitting students; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Graduate Council recommend all recruiting for the India Pilot Project be suspended until policies and procedures regarding international recruitment can be established and reviewed by the Graduate School and the Graduate Council; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Graduate Council recommend that student information (e.g. English proficiency scores, GRE scores, and undergraduate transcripts) for an applicant be coded and entered by the Graduate School only; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Graduate Council recommend the Graduate School develop a formal assessment plan to determine the success of the India Pilot Project students and the recruitment efforts of the India Pilot Project.