

Student Regulations Committee
Nov. 21 – Nov. 26, 2007
E-Mail Ballot

The chair of the Student Relations Committee filed information with the Secretary of the Faculty concerning an email ballot that was issued to the Student Regulations Committee at the request of Deborah Smith, Associate Vice-Provost. The balloting opened on Nov. 21, 2007 and closed on Nov. 26, 2007. Six of the nine members of the committee filed answers to the question posed and approved the ballot without dissent.

The question was, do you approve the change in statements of admissions policy as documented in the attached?

As noted above, these changes were approved via electronic ballot of the Student Regulations Committee, and then subsequently approved by the Academic Senate in their meeting of November 27, 2007.

Memorialized by
Ronald A Bohlander
Secretary of the Faculty
November 29, 2007

MEMORANDUM

November 20, 2007

To: Dr. Jeff Streator
Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering and
Chair, Student Rules and Regulations Committee

From: Deborah Smith
Associate Vice Provost

Date: November 20, 2007

Re: Change in the Undergraduate Admissions Policy

Attached is the undergraduate admission policy for freshman and transfer applicants with recommended changes and updates. This policy is published in our admission materials and in the official Institute catalog.

We recently realized that this policy, as originally written, is misleading and needs clarification. The current policy reads as though the Executive Admissions Committee (EAC) has the authority to make decisions to admit undergraduate students to the Institute. Actually, this committee reviews appeals and makes recommendations to the Office of Undergraduate Admission. All decisions of admission to the Institute are actually made and issued by the Office of Undergraduate Admission.

I am requesting that the Student Rules and Regulations Committee **review and approve these changes prior to Tuesday, November 26th so that the request can be submitted for final approval at the November 27, 2007, Faculty Meeting.** With faculty approval, the revised policy will be immediately implemented as official Institute policy.

The President's Office at Georgia Tech has approved the attached statements.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of assistance to you as you and the committee review this request. I can be reached at 894-9816.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Policy on Competitive Admission to the Undergraduate Program of Study

Georgia Institute of Technology

(Policy for freshman applicants)

All qualified persons are equally welcome to seek admission to the Georgia Institute of Technology, and all persons may apply for and accept admission confident that the policy and regular practice of the Institute will not discriminate against them on the basis of race, religion, sex, or national origin.

Projections of the number of students to be admitted and enrolled in any year will be determined (a) by the capacity of the Institute and (b) by approved enrollment levels. If the number of qualified applicants for admission exceeds the number of applicants who can be admitted and enrolled, those to be offered admission will be selected on the basis of (a) the Institute's judgment of the applicant's relative qualifications for satisfactory performance in the Institute and (b) recognition of the Institute's special responsibilities to the residents of Georgia.

The policy on competitive admission, set forth above, will not prevent the admission of selected applicants who give evidence of possessing special talents for the Institute's programs requiring such special talents. In the application of this policy of competitive admission to nonresident students, preference for admission may be given to nonresident applicants who are legacies of the Institute.

The admission of undergraduate students to pursue programs leading to a bachelor's degree shall be the responsibility of the Office of Undergraduate Admission. That office will apply policies and procedures that are approved by the Office of the President and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. Preference for admission will be given to qualified residents of the state of Georgia.

The criteria used in determining each applicant's qualifications for admission shall include satisfactory evidence of scholastic promise based upon the applicant's previous academic record, scores on selected tests of aptitude or achievement, and evaluation of the applicant's Personal Statement and Leadership and Activity Record. ~~Applicants who do not satisfy basic admission criteria may, for sufficient reason, be admitted with the approval of the Executive Admissions Committee appointed by the president of the Institute.~~

Appeals concerning individual admission decisions shall be ~~lodged with~~ addressed to the director of the Office of Undergraduate Admission.

This policy is in accordance with the Institute's Mission and Vision statement, which can be located at www.gatech.edu/president/strategic-plan.html.

Revised: 11/20/2007

(Policy for transfer applicants)

Policy on Competitive Admission

All qualified persons are equally welcome to seek transfer admission to the Georgia Institute of Technology, and all persons may apply for and accept admission confident that the policy and regular practice of the Institute will not discriminate against them on the basis of race, religion, sex or national origin.

Projections of the number of transfer students to be admitted and enrolled in any year will be determined (a) by the capacity of the Institute and (b) by approved enrollment levels. If the number of qualified applicants for admission exceeds the number of applicants who can be admitted and enrolled, those to be offered admission will be selected on the basis of (a) the Institute's judgment of the applicant's relative qualifications for satisfactory performance in the Institute and (b) recognition of the Institute's special responsibilities to the residents of Georgia.

The policy of competitive admissions, set forth above, will not prevent the admission of selected applicants who give evidence of possessing special talents for the Institute's programs requiring such special talents.

The admission of undergraduate students to pursue programs leading to a baccalaureate degree shall be the responsibility of the Office of Undergraduate Admission. That office will apply policies and procedures that are approved by the Office of the President and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. Preference for admission will be given to qualified residents of the state of Georgia.

The criteria used in determining each transfer applicant's qualifications for admission will include satisfactory evidence of scholastic promise based upon the applicant's previous academic transfer record. ~~Under special circumstances, applicants may be admitted by the Executive Admissions Committee that is appointed by the President of the Institute.~~

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