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DATE: November 4, 2008
TO: University of Houston – Undergraduate Council
FROM: John Bowen [REDACTED]
Dean [REDACTED]
RE: College of Hotel & Restaurant Management Proposed Freshmen Admission Requirements

Our current freshmen admissions requirements are as follows:

Current criteria for automatic freshmen admissions to the College of Hotel and Restaurant Management are the same as the current criteria for freshmen admission to the University of Houston. As stated in the current University of Houston Undergraduate Catalogue:

Standard Freshman Admission Requirements in Effect for Students Entering Fall 2006 and Beyond:

Automatic Admissions Criteria:

Freshmen applicants who graduate in the top 20% of their high school class will be automatically admitted to the University of Houston. All applicants, regardless of class rank, must submit SAT I or ACT scores.

Regular Admission Criteria:

Applicants will be admitted if they rank in the next 30% and have a minimum 1000 SAT I or ACT 21.

Proposed changes to our freshmen admissions requirements for the fall of 2009 are as follows:

Automatic Admissions Criteria:

Freshmen applicants who graduate in the top 10% of their high school class will be automatically admitted to the University of Houston's Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management. All applicants, regardless of class rank, must submit SAT I or ACT scores.

Regular Admission Criteria:

Applicants will be admitted to the University of Houston's Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management if they meet the following criteria:

- Rank in the top 25 percent of their high school class, and have a minimum 1000 SAT I (critical reading and mathematics) or ACT of 21
- OR rank in the top 50 percent of their high school class and have a minimum of 1050 SAT I (critical reading and mathematics) or ACT 23.
- Or rank in the top 75% of their class and have a minimum 1150 SAT I (critical reading and mathematics) or ACT 25.

Justification

The justification for this request is to improve the overall academic qualifications for the University of Houston's Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management. This will lead the college to produce graduates who are better prepared to pursue careers in the hospitality industry.

Support

Several years ago we raised the admission requirement for transfer students to a 2.75 GPA from a 2.50 GPA. According to data from the office of institutional research, this resulted in a temporary drop in transfer applications to 99 for the fall of 2006 from 130 for the fall of 2005. This increased to 106 applicants for the fall of 2007 and our data from the office of admissions shows 155 transfer applicants for the fall of 2008. The initial drop in applicants due to the higher standards was temporary. We can now increase our entrance requirements for FTICs without an adverse effect on our enrollment. Although one might predict a slight decline the first year, this will be offset by an increase in transfer applicants. According to the office of institutional research, our applications from FTICs has grown from 159 for the fall of 2003 to 298 for the fall of 2007. According to the data received from the office of admissions, we had 420 FTIC applicants for the fall of 2008.

In order to maintain our international reputation, it is imperative that we attract students that are competitive. This change will help ensure we remain one of the top hospitality programs in the world.

The faculty voted to approve these changes.

Daly, Marsha A

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Marsha,

Our current Freshmen Admissions requirements are identical to the UH Freshmen Admissions requirements located in the "Admission, Advising, Orientation, and Enrollment (Registration)" section of the Undergraduate Catalogue (<http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/general/admis.html>). Assuming our proposal is accepted and passed we would like it listed in the Undergraduate Catalogue under "Colleges and Programs With Additional Requirements" (http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/general/admis.html#addl_reqs_coll), as well as under our College section of the catalogue at <http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/hrm/admission.html>.

Please let me know if you would like any additional information at this time.

As always, thank you very much for your assistance, and have a great weekend!

Kevin

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Kevin,

We need to know where in the current online catalog these changes should be made. Here's the link to the "front page" of the catalog, <http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/catalog.html>. Remember, you may have currently have your admissions requirements in the Admissions section and your college section.

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