

Faculty Senate Resolution Number _____

To: Joe Bertolino, Ed.D., President, Southern Connecticut State University
From: Deborah Weiss, Ph.D., President, SCSU Faculty Senate

The attached Resolution of the Faculty Senate is entitled:

RESOLUTION Regarding _____

This Resolution was approved by Faculty Senate on: _____

☐ This Resolution is presented for APPROVAL

☐ This Resolution is presented for INFORMATION

In accordance with the CSU-AAUP Contract (Article 5.10), "When the Senate makes a written recommendation to the President, the President shall acknowledge and respond to the recommendation in writing within fifteen (15) school days of receiving the Senate's recommendation. "

After considering this resolution, please indicate your action on this form and return it to the President of the Faculty Senate.

Deborah Weiss, Ph.D., President, Faculty Senate Date

cc: Robert S. Prezant, Ph.D., Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

ACTION OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

Resolution for Approval:

☐ Resolution APPROVED

☐ Resolution DISAPPROVED (Provide comments below or attach statement)

Resolution for Information:

☐ Resolution NOTED (applies to Informational Resolutions only)

Joe Bertolino, Ed.D., President, SCSU

Date

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

Resolution Regarding the Awarding of Latin Honors

Whereas, Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) exists for the primary purpose of furthering academic excellence;

Whereas, The SCSU Faculty Senate is the official representative body of the academic faculty;

Whereas, SCSU wishes to incorporate more equity into the recognition of the academic accomplishments of transfer and non-transfer students; and

Whereas, The SCSU Faculty Senate and the University are committed to transparency and clarity regarding academic policies; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the requirements for receiving Latin Honors be changed in the following way.

ORIGINAL:

Undergraduate students who have performed with distinction in scholarship, leadership, and service to the University are accorded special recognition at the Honors Convocation at the end of the spring semester. Seniors who have achieved collegiate honors are announced: those maintaining a 3.5-3.69 GPA are graduated cum laude; 3.7-3.89, magna cum laude; 3.9-4.0, summa cum laude. The GPA is computed from the student's entire collegiate record. Transfer students who have taken at least 60 credit hours or any student that has earned as many credits as might be required for any post-baccalaureate degree programs at SCSU and have attained a 3.5 GPA or higher in these courses will be eligible for academic honors. Only earned grades at Southern will be tabulated when determining academic honors. Students who successfully defended their honors theses are also recognized at the Honors Convocation, and graduate "with departmental honors."

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Undergraduate students who have performed with distinction in scholarship, leadership, and service to the University are accorded special recognition at the Honors Convocation at the end of the spring semester. Seniors who have achieved collegiate honors are announced: those maintaining a 3.5-3.69 GPA are graduated cum laude; 3.7-3.89, magna cum laude; 3.9-4.0, summa cum laude. The GPA is computed from the student's entire ~~collegiate~~ record at Southern. Only earned grades at Southern will be tabulated when determining academic honors. Transfer students who have taken at least ~~60~~ 45 credit hours at SCSU or any student that has earned as many credits as might be required for any post-baccalaureate degree programs at SCSU and have attained a 3.5 GPA or higher in these courses will be eligible for academic honors. Students who successfully defended their honors theses are also recognized at the Honors Convocation, and graduate "with departmental honors."

Note: Other Local School Requirements (in credits)

WCSU: 30, ECSU: 45, CCSU: 60, UConn: 54, Montclair State: 51, William Paterson: 64, SUNY: 45 – 60