



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Report No: 3275

**To: Faculty Council**

**From: Professor Tom Coyle  
Chair, Committee on Examinations**

**Date: November 1, 2010**

**Item: Changes to the Promotion Regulations for First Year Students**

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**Recommendation:**

The Committee on Examinations recommends that the promotion regulations concerning first year students proceeding to second year be amended to include the regulation below effective 2011-2012 academic year.

No first-year student in Core 8 and Track 1 shall proceed to second year (2F) with more than two outstanding first-year courses.

No first-year Engineering Science student transferring to a Core 8 program, shall proceed to second year (2F) with more than two outstanding Core 8 course equivalents.

**Highlights:**

It is felt by the Committee on Examinations that students who proceed to second year in any program with more than two incomplete/failed first year courses are at a disadvantage for successfully completing their second year program. Therefore, it is recommended that this regulation be implemented in order to encourage more students to take summer courses to remedy failed or incomplete courses.

**Closing Remarks:**

These changes would encourage both students in good standing or on probation but eligible to proceed, to take summer courses required for a successful transition into second year. This should also result in fewer students picking up a second probation in their second year and improve the chance of student success to graduation.

**Financial Implications:**

There are no significant financial resources required to implement this proposal.

**Proposal/Motion:**

Recommendation and Motion for Faculty Council:

“THAT the promotion regulations concerning first year students proceeding to second year be amended as set out in the report.”