TO: Jeanette F. Morales, Assistant Director, Office of Academic Program Management

FROM: Frank Kelley, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Business Programs

DATE: September 14, 2009

RE: Proposal for increasing the hours for Dean’s List from 9 to 12 for business majors

The Bauer College of Business proposes to Undergraduate Council the minimum hours required for business majors to qualify for the Dean’s List be increased from 9 to 12.

Current requirements in catalog:

The Dean’s List is compiled each semester by the colleges. To qualify for this recognition, undergraduate students must earn a 3.50 minimum grade point average (the grade of S is not counted) on nine or more semester hours completed during the semester (The Colleges of Architecture, Engineering, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, and Natural Sciences and Mathematics require a 3.50 or better on a minimum of 12 semester hours). Students who earn a grade of I (except in a senior honors thesis course), D, F, or U during the semester are excluded from consideration for the Dean’s List. Some colleges have additional requirements for the Dean’s List. For information, consult the catalog for the college of major or contact the office of the dean.

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Rationale: In line with several other colleges on campus, the Bauer College of Business would like to elevate the number of hours to 12 semester credit hours to qualify for the Dean’s List in order to make it a more prestigious honor. Of the 1,007 business students who were on the Spring 2009 Dean’s List, 149 were enrolled in less than 12 hours, so the impact would not be overly exclusive.