**Proposal for Simplification of Transfer Residency Requirement**

Submitted by the Academic Practices Committee, 3/24/16

***Whereas*,** the College currently has dual requirements for transfer student residency, one consisting of a credit count, the other of a semester count, and

***Whereas***, the stated credit count could be achieved in fewer semesters than currently required and in exceptional cases has been, with waivers granted by the APC, and

***Whereas***, the semester requirement places unnecessary burdens on highly motivated students who could potentially complete their studies sooner, and

***Whereas***, few peer institutions have such dual requirements for transfer student residency, the vast majority having only credit requirements,

***Be It Resolved*,** that we eliminate the semester requirement for transfer residency while upholding the current 40 (or 48 for Accounting) credit requirement by amending the relevant Handbook language as follows:

**Residency Requirement**

To earn a degree from SUNY College at Old Westbury, students are required to earn a minimum of 40\* credits at Old Westbury.

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\*48 credits required in Accounting