THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA IN HUNTSVILLE FACULTY SENATE

Senate Resolution 10-11-10: Supporting Second Degrees after Graduation

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WHEREAS, The University of Alabama in Huntsville encourages students to engage in interdisciplinary studies, and

WHEREAS, Earning undergraduate degrees from two UAHuntsville different colleges is a particularly intensive and commendable approach to interdisciplinary studies, and

WHEREAS, Getting a second degree from another UAHuntsville college is challenging, given distinct demands for general education requirements and for pre-professional course work, and

WHEREAS, UAHuntsville students in professional degree programs seeking a second degree may graduate and begin work before completing work on that second degree, and

WHEREAS, The current UAHuntsville undergraduate catalog requires students who have already earned a degree and are seeking a second UAHuntsville degree to complete at least 25% of the requirements for such a degree (or 32 hours), and

WHEREAS, This 25% requirement may dissuade UAHuntsville graduates from completing a UAHuntsville second degree when less than 32 hours is needed to do so,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That UAHuntsville's policy and catalog be changed to allow UAHuntsville graduates to complete second UAHuntsville degrees with fewer than 25% of the degree requirements hours providing they do so within the three semesters immediately (not including summer semesters) following their graduation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That within those three (3) semesters, (not including summer) the student must complete all the requirements of the major for the second degree.