TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: Committee on Instruction and Curriculum
SUBJECT: CIC Action on GPA for Honors Numbers for 10-12 Catalog
PURPOSE: Information Item

ACTION REQUESTED: That the Academic Senate accept the following information item

BACKGROUND
INFORMATION: The purpose of this memo is to inform the Academic Senate of the action that CIC took in response to the charge to the Subcommittee to determine the appropriate GPA for Honors for the 10-12 Catalog. This decision has already been enacted due to the immediate need for the Catalog to comply with the policy.

CIC voted unanimously to set the following thresholds for honors for the 10-12 Catalog at its meeting on April 19, 2010. CIC’s determinations were based on the analysis of current percentages of GPAs of recent undergraduate degree recipients provided by Glen Perry, PEMSA,

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<td>3.67</td>
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The new catalog will reflect the change in the following way:
You will qualify for one of these categories of honors at graduation on the basis of the following grade point average in all college work: **3.93-4.00 summa cum laude** (highest honors); **3.84-3.92 magna cum laude** (high honors); **3.67-3.83 cum laude** (honors)

This is the current Catalog copy, which can be found on the web, [http://www.csueastbay.edu/ecat/current/u-010babs.html#section15](http://www.csueastbay.edu/ecat/current/u-010babs.html#section15).

1. You will qualify for one of these categories of honors at graduation on the basis of the following grade point average in all college work: **3.90-4.00 summa cum laude** (highest honors); **3.80-3.89 magna cum laude** (high honors); **3.60-3.79 cum laude** (honors)

2. To qualify for any category of honors, you must have a minimum Cal State East Bay grade point average of 3.60, and

3. You must have completed at least 60 units graded "A-D" at Cal State East Bay (up to 15 units in Open University may be substituted).

These standards were adopted to ensure that the top 1% of those graduating in the years this catalog is in effect receive summa cum laude designations, the top 3% receive at least magna cum laude designations, and the top 8% receive at least cum laude designations. **Graduation with honors is governed by the catalog in effect at the time of the student's graduation. The GPA standards cited above are in effect for those who graduate during the fall quarter through summer quarter of the two years the current CSUEB printed catalog is in effect. GPA standards will be adjusted in future catalogs, if necessary, to maintain the 1%, 3% and 8% groupings. So check the catalog in effect at the time you graduate to see if you qualify.**