UH-Downtown Faculty Senate Resolution# SR-09-05 Date: 11/17/2009

## **Resolution of the UHD Faculty Senate**

Approved on November 17, 2009 Passed unanimously

**TOPIC: Admissions Standards** 

**Whereas** the development of a specific admissions policy represents a profound shift in UHD's growth as an institution;

Whereas admissions policies are best developed in the context of academic and data-driven discussions by faculty and staff with experience and expertise in the specific context of UHD;

## Be it resolved that

The Faculty Senate recommends that a special joint committee on admissions standards with members appointed by the chairs from the Academic Policies Committee, the First-year Advisory Committee, the Developmental Curriculum Committee, and the General Education Committee, and the Faculty Senate.

We further recommend that the charges of the committee be as follows:

- review PS 03.A.24
- recommend specific changes in PS 03.A.24 to the Academic Policies Committee, which
  must ultimately approve any revisions to the admissions policy and send it forward as
  dictated by shared governance policy
- develop a timeline that meets the BOR and the THECB target for a specific proposal on automatic admissions standards for FTICs, with possible longer-term plan for other components
- recommend specific structures that would support student success, retention, and graduation and assist faculty success with at-risk students
- base recommendations on the use of academic research and data
- base recommendations on data specific to present and prospective UHD students
- include admission standards for transfer students