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**2.Proposed Change**

Require students to wait until graduating semester to take comprehensive exams.

**3.Effective Date**

Fall 2017

**4.Justification –** *Please provide details as to why this change is necessary.*

Experience has shown that students taking exams earlier than the graduating semester perform at a significantly lower level.

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semester of study.