



A Resolution
Presented by Senator Jamie Shafer of the
College of Charleston Student Government Association
On this Eighteenth Day of September, 2007

- Purpose:** To support revisions to Latin Honors awards as recommended by the Academic Standards Committee:
- Currently:
 - 3.60-3.799 cum laude
 - 3.8-3.949 magna cum laude
 - 3.95-4.0 summa cum laude
 - Changed to:
 - 3.50-3.74 cum laude
 - 3.75-3.89 magna cum laude
 - 3.90-4.0 summa cum laude
- Whereas:** It is the purpose of the Student Government Association to take a firm stance on Academic Affairs on this campus.
- Whereas:** It is the purpose of these revisions to bring us more in line with requirements across the southeast and with the other schools in COPLAC and reflects the situation in schools that are our peers, our aspirational peers, and our competition.
- Whereas:** This change would retain the honor and academic rigor of the awards but would recognize a few more of our outstanding students and would recognize the realities of the impact of the change in the grading scales on student GPA's (e.g. the addition of the plus/minus system).
- Whereas:** Regardless of the effects of the plus/minus addition to the grading scale, these revisions should be supported due to the more pertinent issue of bringing up more in line with the standards of our aspirational peers and our competitors.
- Therefore:** Be it resolved that the College of Charleston Student Government Association support the lowering of the Latin Honors awarded to students upon graduation.