


**PRESIDENT'S POLICY MEMORANDUM NO. 278**

**TO:** All Faculty, Deans, Department Heads, and Undergraduate Students

**FROM:** Charles W. Steger 

**DATE:** December 12, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Reaffirmation of University Policy on Acceptance of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Advanced Examinations

**Approved by the Board of Visitors:** November 7, 2011  
**Effective Date:** November 7, 2011

The Board of Visitors approved a resolution reaffirming university policy on acceptance of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Advanced Examinations.

Following is the text of the resolution.

**WHEREAS**, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University has a longstanding policy of awarding college credit for specific subject area examinations offered by Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate diploma programs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the criteria for such examinations are established and reviewed by the faculty of the subject area; and,

**WHEREAS**, the University Registrar, as designated by the university, facilitates annual review of standards and criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, the metric for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Advanced examinations are comparable per the requirements of the Code of Virginia; and,

**WHEREAS**, with amendment and reenactment of Code of Virginia 23-9.2:3:8 in July 2011, the university added Cambridge Advanced examinations as a metric in the awarding of college credit;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University reaffirms existing university policy on acceptance of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge Advanced examinations in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Virginia.

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