

**Resolution 01-05 Remove University-wide December graduation ceremony**

January: First Reading

February: Second Reading, Revised, Passed

Presented by Senator Elaine Smyth for the Commencement Committee

Revised Version

*Whereas*, the attendance at the December university-wide commencement ceremony has decreased in recent years; and

*Whereas*, the diploma ceremonies have had high attendance and have been well received by the graduates and their families; and

*Whereas*, the May university-wide commencement ceremony could be enhanced by redirecting limited resources from the December to the May commencement ceremony;

*Therefore*, be it resolved that the December university-wide commencement ceremony be eliminated, and that those resources be redirected to enhance the May university-wide commencement ceremony.

*Also* be it resolved that Ph.D. degrees be awarded at their college ceremonies.