July 1, 1987 MEMORANDUM NO. 78 Series of 1987 The Academic Personnel Board T 0: R E: Policy on Recognizing Degrees and Institutions for the Purpose of Staff Development Recently, questions were raised by the Scholarship Committee on ViSCA policy covering staff members pursuing advanced degrees without institutional approval as to appropriateness of degrees and institutions chosen by the staff. In the absence of any policy that applies to staff who study on their own, except for academic staff who enroll in ViSCA, administrators simply tolerate them, provided their classess fall on weekends. However, the problem can become more complicated when determining educational accomplishments for the determination of rank, e.g. application of NCC 33. In view of the above, the Board is hereby requested to formulate guidelines that will apply to the above situation. Please shumit the guidelines not later than July 31, 1987. Thank you.