

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

APRIL 20, 2009 – 104 GORE HALL

April 13, 2009

TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Charles E. Mason, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate and General Faculty Meeting April 20, 2009

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, April 20th at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall. The General Faculty meeting will be held this month as well. This meeting will begin at 3:30 p.m. just prior to the Faculty Senate meeting, and will also be held in 104 Gore Hall. Please make every effort to attend the General Faculty meeting.

I certify that hard copies of the approval page for each undergraduate and graduate studies academic item on the agenda are filed in the Faculty Senate Office with the appropriate signatures of approval up through the Chair of the Faculty Senate Coordinating Committee on Education. The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

I. Adoption of the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes: [March 9, 2009](#)

III. Remarks: Provost Dan Rich

IV. Announcements: Senate President Amy Johnson

V. Consent Agenda:

1. Announcements for Challenge:

- a.** Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the major in Environmental Sciences ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))
- b.** Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new minor in Dance ([attachment](#))

- c. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new minor in Advertising ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

- d. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new Concentration within the Exercise Science major: Medical Scholar ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

- e. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to rename and revise the requirements for Food and Agribusiness Management Minor ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

- f. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to rename and revise the requirements of the Food and Agribusiness Management Majors ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

- g. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the major in Health Behavior Science ([attachment](#))

- h. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy

Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the major in Athletic Training ([attachment](#))

- i. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to revise major and delete concentrations in Health Studies ([attachment](#))
- j. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the major in Early Childhood Education ([attachment](#))
- k. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to major in Music ([attachment](#))
- l. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the Major in Leadership ([attachment](#))
- m. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the Major in Women's Studies ([attachment](#))
- n. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson,

Chair) for the request to add Concentrations in Civil and Environmental EG and to revise the program policy document ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

- o. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the M.Ed. Exceptional Children and Youth ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([program policy](#))
- p. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the M.A. in Teaching English as a Second Language ([attachment](#)) ([program policy](#))
- q. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the Graduate Program in Art History ([attachment](#)) ([chart attachment](#)) ([emailattachment](#)) ([revised program](#)) ([current program](#))
- r. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the revision to the Master of Instruction ([attachment](#)) ([program policy](#))

VI. Regular Agenda:

1. Unfinished Business: None

2. New Business:

- a.** Recommendation from the Committee on Rules (Don Lehman, Chair) with the concurrence of the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for a change in procedure regarding the approval of sabbatical leave and the research semester. ([attachment](#))

3. Resolutions:

- a.** Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) for the request for reorganization within Marine and Earth Studies and by the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) for the request for a college name change and reorganization within Marine and Earth Studies with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the faculty in the College of Marine and Earth Studies and the faculty in the Department of Geography have, respectively, voted to join together to become part of a larger College dedicated to the study of earth, ocean, and atmospheric systems and the human interactions therein, and

WHEREAS, as part of this re-organization the Marine Studies Programs (Marine BioScience, Marine Policy, Oceanography, and Physical Ocean Science and Engineering) will form a School within the new college, and,

WHEREAS, such a change is supported by the Chair of the Department of Geography, the Dean of the College of Marine and Earth Studies, the Dean of Arts and Sciences, and the Provost, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends the proposed formation of a new college from the merger of the Department of Geography and the College of Marine and Earth Studies to be named the College of Earth, Ocean, and Environment.

- b. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new major in Energy and Environmental Policy ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Energy and Environmental Policy addresses the critical issues of the energy sector and its environmental impacts in the state, nation, and global community; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Energy and Environmental Policy examines the ways in which sustainable energy and environmental policies are developed and executed, and how such policies should be evaluated and monitored; and

WHEREAS, the Path to Prominence has established the goal of making the University of Delaware a national and international leader in education and research on energy and environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major aligns with the academic priorities of the University's stated goals to promote

programs which engage in cross-disciplinary (or cross fertilization) efforts to create integrated and critically reflective solutions to the world's pressing energy and environmental challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Energy and Environmental Policy educates and builds core competencies and skills for students so that they may work effectively at the intersections of business, technology, government, research and civil society in order to improve energy and environmental policy; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Energy and Environmental Policy provides students with a solid academic foundation and a complementary pathway for success for entrance into graduate programs or careers in the field it is incumbent upon the faculty of this program to provide high quality advisement on the concentrations within the major and to explore ways to integrate the educational opportunities available to students that are engaged in environmentally-oriented degrees; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Energy and Environmental Policy has been based on a critical review of prominent policy programs nationally and there is no similar program within the region offering a cross-disciplinary, intercollegiate program of this type, thereby enabling the University of Delaware to be the national leader in the field; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate approves provisionally, for five years, the establishment of a new major entitled Baccalaureate of Science in Energy and Environmental Policy effective September 1, 2009.

- c. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new major in Environmental Studies ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the University of Delaware currently offers a collaborative BS degree program in Environmental Science that is rigorous and well established; and

WHEREAS, part of the University of Delaware's Path to Prominence™ is focused on becoming a greener, more environmentally aware campus and on highlighting and enhancing opportunities for undergraduates to engage in environmental degree programs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program extends UD's environmental options and reflects the fact that the Earth and its resources connect to all facets of human existence. Additionally, the proposed degree program enhances the opportunities for those students interested in studying the environment through the perspectives of policy, economics, and social science; and

WHEREAS, using a collaborative and distributed model, the degree programs utilizes the current strengths at the University of Delaware and gives students a broad-based, interdisciplinary introduction to environmental policies and issues; the common analytical tools needed to explore them in depth through their specific concentration areas; and the ability to integrate and synthesize information from a multidisciplinary perspective; and

WHEREAS, the Undergraduate Major in Environmental Studies provides students with a solid academic foundation and a complementary pathway for success for entrance into

graduate programs or careers in the field it is incumbent upon the faculty of this program to provide high quality advisement on the concentrations within the major and to explore ways to integrate the educational opportunities available to students that are engaged in environmentally-oriented degrees; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval provisionally, for five years, the establishment of a new major leading to the distributed BA degree in Environmental Studies.

- d. Recommendation from the Committee on Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new BA major in Public Policy ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the field of policy analysis has become vitally important as communities have grown more global, complex and interconnected. More than ever, governments and public organizations play an integral role in addressing societal problems. The proposed B.A. in Public Policy program will examine the ways in which policies are developed and executed, how policies should be designed and implemented to achieve the desired outcomes, and how policies should be evaluated and monitored. This goal addresses the University mission discussed by President Harker in *The Engaged University*, where he stated:

“...As the largest university in a small yet nationally and internationally important state, we have the opportunity to work closely with public agencies throughout Delaware, applying research and human talent to address pressing social and civic issues...”

WHEREAS, the proposed B.A. in Public Policy has been based on a critical review of prominent public policy programs nationally and there is no similar program within the region offering an interdisciplinary program of this type;

WHEREAS, the B.A. in Public Policy program will promote discovery-based learning that brings our faculty and students into close contact with the challenges and knowledge of practitioners. Outreach to the global community – in Delaware, across the U.S., and around the world – will be a priority;

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of applicants to the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy M.A. and M.P.A. degree programs desire to focus on policy design, implementation and analysis relevant to specific social, human and economic issues in the U.S. and the international arena—a need that could be more fully addressed through undergraduate and graduate education;

WHEREAS, the faculty of School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy have a 30-year history of teaching policy courses at the graduate level in public administration, public policy, and urban studies; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy Faculty within the College of Human Services, Education, and Public Policy supports, and the Faculty Senate recommends, the provisional establishment, for five years, of a new major leading to the B.A. degree in Public Policy, effective September 1, 2009.

- e. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new M.S. in Disaster Science and Management ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([program policystatement](#)) ([catalog description](#)) ([resolution](#))

WHEREAS, the proposed MS (both thesis and non-thesis) and PhD in Disaster Science and Management (DISA) program is a unique interdisciplinary graduate course of study covering the theories, research methodologies, and policies informing efforts focused on emergency preparedness, mitigation, management, and response, and

WHEREAS, there has been much interest over several years from individuals with diverse backgrounds and interest in pursuing interdisciplinary graduate studies in disaster science and management, and

WHEREAS, the experience of the Disaster Research Center with graduate level research and training, and collaboration with the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy provide existing courses and a foundation for the program, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program contributes to three milestones on the University's "path to prominence": to become a premier research and graduate university; to achieve excellence in professional education; and the engaged university, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval provisionally, for five years, the establishment of a new major leading to the MS, and seven years provisionally, for the PhD degrees in Disaster Science and Management, effective September 1, 2009.

- f. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the request to add a new Ph.D. in Disaster Science and Management ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([programpolicystatement](#)) ([catalog description](#)) ([resolution](#))

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RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends approval provisionally, for five years, the establishment of a new major leading to the

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- g.** Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Paul Mettler, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson,

Chair) for the request for permanent approval of the MA in Education
([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the Master of Art in Education was given provisional approval in May 2003, and thus need to gain permanent status, and

WHEREAS, 25 students have graduated from this program and 9 are currently pursuing the major, and

WHEREAS, this program received a positive permanent status review by the review team, and

WHEREAS, this program received the full support of the Director of the School of Education and the Dean of the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends permanent approval of the Master of Art in Education in the College of Human Services, Education and Public Policy.

- h.** Recommendation from the Ad Hoc Committee on University Breadth requirements (Avron Abraham, Chair) with the concurrence of Undergraduate Studies (John Madsen, Chair), the Coordinating Committee on Education (Cihan Cobanoglu, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Amy Johnson, Chair) for the implementation of University breadth requirements ([attachment](#)) ([charge document](#))

WHEREAS, The University of Delaware does not have a set of breadth courses that meet requirements for all majors and

WHEREAS, it has been difficult for students, advisors and faculty to understand which courses transfer between colleges, departments, majors and programs, and

WHEREAS, it would benefit all students to be exposed to courses outside of their major area of study, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that beginning with the academic year 2010-2011 a list of courses submitted by the Colleges will be designated as meeting University breadth requirements, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all students will be required to complete a minimum of 12 credits from the list of breadth courses, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all students will be required to take a minimum of one course from the following categories receiving a minimum grade of C-, in order to meet the University requirement:

- Creative Arts and Humanities
- History and Cultural Change
- Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology

and be it further

RESOLVED, that a standing faculty senate sub-committee, with representation from all the Colleges, which reports to the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee would provide the oversight of the placement of breadth courses in appropriate categories, and ensure that the intent of breadth remains inclusive while maintaining a substantial list of courses that encourage exploration by the students in areas outside of their major.

VII. Introduction of New Business:

Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)