CURRICULUM AND REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of May 5, 1980

Members present: Professors Broce, Grogger, and Wunderli
Ex. officio: Westkott, Frick, Johnson and Schultz
Faculty present: Professors Burkhart, Bourassa, Catlett, R. Lorch, Schoffstall and Westerberg

I. Old Business

The minutes for the April 7, 1980 meeting were approved.

II. New Business

A. Revised course: Biology 390 - Physiology Laboratory change credit hours from 2 to 3 approved

B. Revised: Chemistry 337 - Practical Organic Chemistry - modification of present course approved

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C. Revised course: Fine Arts 202-B - Printmaking - Xerography/Tabled due to lack of participation by the Chairperson of Fine Arts Department. To be presented at June 2, 1980 meeting.

D. New course: Military Science 103-1 - Fundamentals of Leadership and Management III. Approved with the stipulation that Geog. Department be consulted about overlapping areas of course material to be presented.

E. New course: Political Science 439 - The Presidency approved

F. Revised courses: Physics and Energy Science 105-3 Lecture (no change) approved

Physics and Energy Science Lab 105-1 may be taken with or without lecture. No prerequisites (change) approved.


H. Letter from Dean Null: The Chairperson Dr. Wunderli would write a letter to Dean Null, addressing each of the following areas:

1. Requirements for a second major and a second degree
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2. Raise upper division hours requirement from 40 to 60 hours.

3. Raising the 45 credit hour limit in a major to 50 hours

The recommendation to the Dean will include a request to poll the faculty to determine their feelings about these changes.

I. Next meeting will be the 1st Monday in June at 11:30 a.m. in Room 420 Main Hall.

Respectively submitted,

[Signature]
William O. Schultz
LAS Academic Advisor

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Prof Marcia Westkott  
Chairperson  
Curriculum and Requirements Committee  

Dear Marcia:

I would like to request the C&R committee to review several possible changes in the curriculum of the College.

1. A general review of what is necessary for a second major and a second degree: In both cases it would seem to be the case that we require very little for either. For example, a student entering from another institution might receive a UCCS degree for 30 semester hours' work. In effect, a student can count the same hours toward two degrees.

2. Should the upper-division hours requirement be raised from the present 40-hour requirement? A student may spend two years on an upper-division status (junior, senior) and take on one third of the course work in upper-division work.

A change might result in a slowing of the ever-increasing number of seniors taking lower-division courses.

The proliferation of lower-division courses with their higher student/faculty ratios (HEGIS) costs us faculty resources in the State legislature.

Do we want a student to accomplish two thirds of the B.A. degree work at the introductory level?

3. Should the 45-credit-hour limit in a discipline be changed? There seems to be less concern in the College regarding elective flexibility for students. Many departments have and are seeking variances in the requirement. Some departments are accomplishing this by refusing to count some of their course work toward the major.

I am copying the Ad Hoc Committee on Curriculum in order that they might consider these questions in their over-all review. I would be glad to hear any recommendations or comments you might wish to make.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. NULL, Dean

cc to: Ad Hoc Committee on Curriculum  
C&R Committee members  
Prof D. Birkeland