MINUTES: CURRICULUM AND REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE

Meeting of November 10, 1992

MEMBERS PRESENT: Professors Eberhart, Hoerner, Tierson, Welshon, and Captain Kettenring.

FACULTY PRESENT: Professors Miller and Olkowski.

EX-OFFICIO: Dean Null and Stanbrough.

A. MINUTES: Approved the Minutes of the October 13, 1992, meeting.

B. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Recommended approval of WMST 490, Special Topics in Women's Studies, which had been tabled at the last meeting.

2. Recommended disapproval of the request to add ENSC 320 to the current area requirements list based on the plan for reevaluating the current area requirements courses presented by Dean Null.

3. Recommended that Alex Soifer be invited to attend the December meeting of the Curriculum and Requirements Committee to present one I D course to be considered for inclusion on the area requirements list. He should be prepared to explain how the course satisfies the intent of a "natural science" or "social science" requirement.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

Recommended approval of JPNS 320, Japanese Culture and Civilization, which will be taught in English. (Similar courses currently exist in French, German and Spanish.)
D. DISCUSSION OF AREA REQUIREMENTS

Dean Null is planning to propose to the faculty that courses offered as satisfying the area requirements be tied to the goals of the college and that, upon approval by the faculty, each course currently on the requirements lists will be reviewed by the department in terms of it's relationship to the goals. (Essentially, this is a method for establishing specific criteria against which courses recommended for the area requirements lists will be judged.)

The Dean will finalize the details of his proposal and bring to the Curriculum and Requirements meeting, possibly as early as December. He hopes to have the proposal refined and ready to submit to the faculty this spring.

Based on this, Dean Null has determined that until such time as the reevaluation of the area requirements occurs, there will be a limit of 6 ID courses available to satisfy the requirements, and no more than 2 may be offered by a single instructor.

Currently, courses available are ID 200, 315, and 497.

E. GENERAL INFORMATION:

Notices of committee recommendations were sent to Jim Burkhart, John Miller, Dorothea Olkowski, and Alex Soifer.

The Committee requested that the Dean continue to remind department chairs that new courses, course revisions, changes to the area requirements and changes to the major or minor made during a catalog year, (Summer - Spring), become effective with the next catalog year provided the information is included in the catalog. Therefore, departments need to plan ahead so as to have changes approved prior to the printing of the next catalog.