

# AGENDA

## FACULTY SENATE MEETING

**3 February 1998**

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DATE: December 3, 1997  
TO: Members of the Faculty Senate  
FROM: Beverly Schneller, Secretary  
SUBJECT: Meeting of the Faculty Senate **3 February 1998,**  
**4:05 -- 5:45 p.m., Chryst Hall, room 210**

- I. Minutes of the 2 December 1997 meeting
- II. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson
- III. Report of the Student Senate President
- IV. Reports of the Administrative Officers
- V. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees
- VI. Special Reports of the Faculty Senate Committees
- VII. Faculty Emeritus
- VIII. Elections
  - A. The Senate will elect officers for 1998-1999--Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary.
  - B. The Senate will elect a chair for the Academic Policies Committee.
- IX. Director of General Education
- X. Academic Policies Committee Document on Determination of QPA in Major Fields
- XI. Revision of Academic Proposal Form (see Minutes, p. 4326)
- XII. Music Department's Recommendation to change wording in the *Governance Manual*, p. 66 F. 4. (Attachment 4 of 2 December 1997 minutes)

**Attachment 4**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
**2 December 1997**

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TO: Faculty Senate  
FROM: The Music Department (Micheal Houlahan, senator)  
SUBJECT: Recommended Change to General Education Structure to Accommodate Courses That Receive Less Than 3 Credits  
DATE: October 28, 1997

The music department is planning to propose several courses that receive less than 3 credits for counting in block G.1 of the Liberal Arts Core. Therefore the department recommends changing p. 66 F. 2. of the governance manual as follows:

replace the word "two courses" with "six credits".

Present statement:

To achieve greater than a single-course understanding in some disciplines, in each Liberal Arts Core Area students must complete satisfactorily two courses in a single department.

Revised statement:

To achieve greater than a single-course understanding in some disciplines, in each Liberal Arts Core Area students must complete satisfactorily six credits in a single department.

The department also recommends changing p. 66 F. 4. of the governance manual as follows:

replace the words "two courses" with the words "eight credits" in both sentences.

Present statement:

No more than two courses may be credited in a single department. For the purposes of course counting, courses with divisional designations are considered as a separate department but may not be used to fulfil the "two courses in one department" rule.

Proposed change:

No more than eight (8) credits may be credited in a single department. For the purposes of course counting, courses with divisional designations are considered as a separate department but may not be used to fulfil the "eight (8) credits in one department" rule.

Rationale: Changing the language from "course" to "credit would enable students to use approved general education courses that earn less than three credits to fulfill these requirements and still achieve the desired discipline representation and depth.