DEDMAN COLLEGE
UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
April 14, 2000

The Undergraduate Council met on Friday, April 14, 2000, at 9:00 a.m. in 121 Dallas Hall. Present: Dean Kathy Hayes, and Dean O.T. Hargrave (*ex officio),* and Professors David Goodson, Melissa Dowling, David Wilson, Raj Deb, and Miguel Lopez. Professor William Beauchamp was a guest.

The meeting was brought to order by Kathy Hayes, Chair of the Undergraduate Council.

Minutes from the March 24, 2000, meeting were corrected and **approved**.

Markets and Culture Major proposal:
Dean Hayes summarized the development of the Markets and Culture major proposal. She chaired the committee that submitted the proposal. Rice and Duke Universities' Markets and Culture majors were studied in developing one for SMU. The degree differs from a business degree in that it is broader based and has additional humanities and social science components, providing graduates with tools useful in getting jobs and interfacing with people. Some Council members questioned a lack of diversity and critical thinking in the major. The use of the word "Culture" in the title was also questioned. Another question was the willingness of the administration to sufficiently fund the program so it could attract good faculty. With the number of concerns voiced Dean Hayes decided to table the proposal.

New Course Proposal:

RUSS 1351: ***Russian for Reading Knowledge I: Grammar & Syntax***
RUSS 1352: ***Russian for Reading Knowledge II: Texts***
JAPN 4380: ***Directed Studies***
CHIN 4380: ***Directed Studies***
SPAN 4352/ETST 4352: ***Conversations and Community***
Professor Beauchamp was present to represent these courses. The Council asked that the prerequisites for the SPAN4352/ETST 4352 course proposal be extended. The courses were **approved**.

Ramona Patrick's Individualized Studies in the Liberal Arts proposal

The Council approved the proposal submitted by Ramona Patrick. They found her proposed curriculum academically challenging; the program was reviewed by Deans Hargrave and Hayes and Professors Schneewind and Hollifield and Ahnert.

New Course Proposal:

ENGL 3335: ***Workers, Citizens, Men***
This course is being proposed to be cross-listed with CF B3335(H). The Council decided to **table** this proposal because there was concern that it might overlap ENGL 3359: *Masculinities: Images and Perspectives.*

New Course Proposal:

SOCI 3305: ***Race and Ethnicity in the United States***
This course has already been approved by the Council as ETST 2301 and approved by the General Education Council as CF 2301. The Council was concerned about the SOCI being a 3000 level course and the ETST, entry level course, being offered as a 2000 level course. Dean Hargrave also forsees possible problems with students wanting to change it on their transcript from ETST to CF or SOCI, etc. The Council agreed to suggest that Sociology list ETST 2301 as an acceptable course for their major instead of cross-listing it.

Announcements

Biological Chemistry Laboratory, BIOL 5110, a co-requisite for *Biological Chemistry,* BIOL 5310 was added. It had been deleted by a system error.

The new prefix *ES* for Environmental Science was approved by Tom Tunks.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Miguel Lopez, Secretary