DEDMAN COLLEGE
UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes of March 24, 2010

The Undergraduate Council met Wednesday, March 24, 2010, at 1 p.m. in 121 Dallas Hall. Present: Associate Deans Alan Brown, Robb Pocklington; Professors Nathan Balke, Robert Harrod, Victoria Lockwood, John Mears, and John Ubelaker; David Doyle, Director of Honor Program.

The meeting was brought to order by Associate Dean Alan Brown.

Minutes from the February 24, 2010 meeting were **approved** as written.

Curriculum Proposal: Public Policy Major: *Course Requirements*

- Additions to the **Law and Social Policy** subfield of the major:
    1. PLSC 3327: Texas Politics
    2. PLSC 4334: Politics and Legacies of the Civil Rights Movement
    3. PLSC 4335: Constitutional Law
- Additions to the **International Politics and Policy** subfield of the major:
    1. PLSC 3347: Governments and Politics of Africa

Public Policy Curriculum Proposal **APPROVED** as written.

SMU Abroad Revised Proposal: **SMU in Lugano, Switzerland**
Professor Gaettens joined the meeting to give an update and answer questions on SMU in Lugano. She pointed out the following:

- Dr. Greg Warden directs this approved SMU program.
- SMU Abroad standard GPA is 2.5.
- The recent changes in the Dedman College Lecturer structure have allowed more stability for Lecturers. They are now able to receive three year contracts with the opportunity for promotion to Senior Lecturer in five years. Teresa Brentagani is being promoted to Senior Lecturer and receiving a three year contract through 2013.
- SMU Italian is targeted to intermediate and first advanced class. Italian has always had a robust Minor program.
- The program is built around the student who wants to completed an Italian Minor or meet a language requirement.

The SMU in Lugano, Switzerland Proposal **APPROVED** as written.

Revised New Course Proposal: **PSYC 4363**: *Psychology of Conflict Resolution*

Previous proposal submitted in February was not approved pending revisions. All revisions were made.

Proposal **APPROVED** as written. Council did make mention that unless the Professor was publishing the data gathered as a class assignment, no IRB is needed.

New Course Proposal: **RELI 3386**: *Myths, Epics, and Tales from Ancient India*

Proposal **APPROVED** with the title revised to a maximum of 30 letters.

New Course Proposal: **FL3330/CFB3304**: *Migration, Occupation, and Independence in North African Cinema*

Proposal **APPROVED** as written.

Alan Brown closed the meeting with an update on SMU Abroad. Faculty Council has proposed an SMU Dedman College limit on SMU Abroad house. The following statement will be added to the Undergraduate Catalog:

COURSES TAKEN IN SMU ABROAD PROGRAMS

Up to 30 term credit hours taken in approved SMU Abroad programs may be counted towards the degree requirements for those majoring in Dedman College. An additional six term credit hours may be allowed through petition. Students should check published information for the individual departments within Dedman College for additional limitations. For more information about petitions, see the Policies and Procedures section of this catalog.

Announcements:

The following curriculum changes and Course Catalog Update Form(s) were approved administratively by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs:

- Curriculum: **NEW ENST Prefix –** Environmental Studies Prefix Approved

INACTIVATED COURSES:

None

MODIFIED COURSES:

ECO 3355	ECO 5357
ECO 4368	ECO 5359
ECO 4378	ECO5360
ECO 5301	ECO 5365
ECO 5341	ECO 5375
ECO 5350	ECO 5385
ECO 5353	

REACTIVATED COURSES:

None

NEW COURSES: Approved at the February's Undergraduate Council Mtg.

CHEM 5306
CHEM 5317
CHEM 5321
CHEM 5322
HIST 2390
PHIL 3316

The next meeting of the Undergraduate Council will be Wednesday, April 28, 2010 at 1pm, in the Hyer Room (121 Dallas Hall).

Respectfully submitted,

John Mears