

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
FACULTY COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC STANDARDS  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2009, 1:30-3:00 P.M.  
224 MARY GATES HALL

Chair John Schaufelberger called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

**Meeting Synopsis:**

1. Chair's Report
2. Approval of the Minutes of November 6, 2009
3. SCAP Report (Brad Holt)
  - Consent agenda (routine actions)
  - Non-routine actions
4. Discussion of Bioengineering and MATLAB
5. Adjournment

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**1. Chair's Report**

Chair Schaufelberger announced that the Subcommittee on Honors met on November 13 and selected the cut-off scores for Honors for the various colleges in the University. They also selected the Medalists for the Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes.

The Subcommittee on Admissions and Graduation met on Wednesday, November 18. They have started their review of the Handbook, but have not yet begun crafting the code changes. They will next meet on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Soon after that meeting, Cunningham plans to bring the proposed changes to FCAS for review.

Chair Schaufelberger noted there is no SCAP meeting on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

Chair Schaufelberger reported that he met with Janet Primomo of FCTCP to discuss whether or not a joint committee on cross-enrollment was needed. FCAS discussed aspects of the University's cross-enrollment policy with UW-Tacoma and UW-Bothell. FCAS also discussed graduate students' ability to move back and forth between the campuses and how ABB (Activity Based Budgeting) could affect this.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of November 6, 2009**

The minutes from the November 6 meeting were approved.

### 3. SCAP Report (Brad Holt)

Holt introduced the routine items on the consent agenda. They were:

1. **Slavic Languages and Literatures - (SLAVIC-20090928A)** is requesting a revision in program requirements for the minor in Russian Literature/Slavic Literatures.
2. **Slavic Languages and Literatures - (SLAVIC-20090928B)** is requesting a revision in program requirements for the minor in Slavic Languages.
3. **Slavic Languages and Literatures - (SLAVIC-20090928C)** is requesting a revision in program requirements for the minor in Russian Language.
4. **Slavic Languages and Literatures - (SLAVIC-20090928D)** is requesting a revision in program requirements for the option in Russian Language, Literature, and Culture within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Slavic Languages and Literatures.
5. **Slavic Languages and Literatures - (SLAVIC-20090928E)** is requesting a revision in program requirements for the option in Eastern European Languages, Literature, and Culture within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Slavic Languages and Literatures.

The consent agenda was unanimously approved by FCAS.

Holt introduced one non-routine item:

1. **Aquatic and Fishery Sciences - (FISH-20091013)** is requesting to change the name of the degree from a Bachelor of Science in Aquatic and Fishery Sciences to Bachelor of Science.

Holt explained that the department would like to convert their degree to a major. This non-routine item was unanimously approved by FCAS.

Since SCAP has still not received the additional information they requested regarding Political Science - (POLS-20090822), the item was again tabled for discussion at a future meeting.

### 4. Discussion of Bioengineering and MATLAB

Sahr introduced the topic. Bioengineering has recently decided to change its computer programming language admissions requirement. They will be moving to accepting MATLAB only. This may lead to a conflict with the Joint Access Oversight Group (JAOG). Sahr asked for input on this issue.

Chair Schaufelberger suggested that a list of the MRPs (Major Related Programs, sometimes referred to as Major Ready Programs or Pathways) be developed, so that SCAP can refer to it when they are making their decisions.

Council members discussed whether it is FCAS's responsibility to know the MRPs and to anticipate the impact changes to the curriculum might have on the MRPs. Chair Schaufelberger emphasized that it is important to think of the students "in the pipeline," preparing to transfer, and the impact these changes will have on them.

FCAS discussed how the MRPs were developed and the input the faculty had in their development.

Chair Schaufelberger asked Sahr to bring more information on MRPs to a future meeting and to find out how many students use them.

## 5. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

*Minutes by Kristy Carter, Council Support Staff, kcarter4@u.washington.edu*

**Present:**   **Faculty:**   Kramer, Holt, Schaufelberger (Chair)  
                  **President's Designee:**  Virjean Edwards for Mildon  
                  **Ex Officio Reps:**     Fugate, Padvorac, Blume, Jespersen, Haag Day  
                  **Regularly Invited Guests:**  Corbett, Sahr, Sayrs

**Absent:**   **Faculty:**    Holman, Almgren, Stroup, Cunningham, Keil, Taggart, Pengra  
                  **Regularly Invited Guests:**  Ballinger  
                  **Ex Officio Reps:**     Allen