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S99-4

At its meeting of March 1, 1999, the Academic Senate passed the following Policy Recommendation presented by Ann Doordan for the Curriculum and Research Committee.

POLICY RECOMMENDATION Degree Termination

Replaces: S79-12, F79-3, F79-2, F83-3

Whereas: Termination of a degree program is a serious undertaking that requires sufficient time

for all involved in the process to complete a thorough and thoughtful review, and

Whereas: This review process must be balanced by the need to facilitate future planning for

enrollment in the program(s) under consideration, and this requires that the review

process be accomplished in a timely manner. Therefore, be it

Resolved: That the attached policy be implemented as soon as it is administratively possible.

Approved

Present: Doordan, Dorosz, Fisher, Hamill, Holscher, Lessow-Hurley, Nuger, Redfern, Sree-

Harsha, Van Hooff

Absent: Burton, Canziani, Singh

Vote: 10:0:0

Financial Impact: None

ACTION BY UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

"Approved as University Policy" signed Robert Caret, March 4, 1999

Curriculum Committee complete written arguments respectively against and for termination. The Chair's arguments shall contain a full report of departmental deliberations, and may also include other materials that support the department's position, including but not limited to student petitions, statements from other campus personnel, and statements from the public. The Dean's arguments shall include whatever materials the Dean believes appropriate to the discussion.

- 3.2.2. No later than 25 faculty duty days after receipt of materials from the Chair and the Dean, the College Curriculum Committee shall make written recommendations to the Undergraduate or Graduate Studies Committee (as appropriate). During its deliberations, the College Curriculum Committee shall conduct one well publicized public hearing for a minimum of two hours (or less if all present have had an opportunity to speak). This hearing shall be conducted by the Chair of the Undergraduate or Graduate Studies Committee, and must be attended for its full duration by a quorum of the College Committee. The session must be video-recorded and must also be attended or viewed by the Department Chair, the Dean, and the Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies or the Associate Vice President for Curriculum and Assessment. Members of the Undergraduate or Graduate Studies Committee, and the Curriculum & Research Committee, shall be notified of the hearing and invited to attend.
- 3.2.3. No later than 15 faculty duty days after receipt of materials from the College Committee, the Graduate or Undergraduate Studies Committee shall make a written recommendation for or against termination. This recommendation, all prior recommendations and reports, and any statement the Committee wishes to make, shall be forwarded to the Curriculum & Research Committee and to the Provost.
- 3.2.4. No later than 20 faculty duty days after receipt of materials from the Graduate or Undergraduate Studies Committee, the Curriculum & Research Committee and the Provost shall forward their independent recommendations to the University President. At its discretion, the Curriculum and Research Committee may ask the full Senate to report to the President in its stead.
- 3.2.5. If the President decides that the program shall be terminated, a report shall be forwarded to the Chancellor's Office for review. If the termination is approved by the Chancellor, the campus Academic Master Plan shall be altered, and program termination publicized appropriately.