

COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND ADVISING
Minutes of the Meeting for April 10, 2007

The committee met on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 210, Strong Hall. The following were present: Anderson, Blackmore, Bradley, Burright, Carlson, Carothers, Crandall, Crosby, D'Anieri, Ledom, Madden, Mayhew, McNeley, Mort, Steinmetz (guest), and Thompson.

MINUTES The minutes for March 27, 2007, were approved.

CHAIR'S REPORT Professor Crandall presided in the absence of Professor Walton.

DEAN'S REPORT Dean Steinmetz reported Plus/Minus grading had been a topic of discussion in many of his meetings over the past few months with no major opposition being presented by faculty.

CLA&S STUDENT ACADEMIC SERVICES REPORT Dr. McNeley reported CUSA's recommended change in the Academic Misconduct Policy had been amended by an "extracurricular activities" addition to the sanctions section. After the final formal vote, if the new Misconduct Policy is approved, she requested CUSA review whether the added sanction should be either retained or dropped from the College Academic Misconduct Policy. Professor Crandall requested it be placed on CUSA's April 24, 2007, agenda.

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

A. CURRICULAR CHANGES/DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Curricular Changes

FULL COMMITTEE ACTION:

Approval was granted for: CHEM 641, CHEM 646, CHEM 647, CHEM 648, CHEM 649, ECON 582, LA&S 290, LA&S 291, PHSX 201, PSYC 625, REES 221, SOC 420, SOC 615

Accepted for file: LA&S 101, LA&S 292, LA&S 301

Tabled: SA&D 402

2. Degree Requirements

FULL COMMITTEE ACTION:

Approval was granted for: a.) Principal Course Changes

Accepted for file: b.) Change to existing Psychology Major
c.) Changes to existing B.A. Chemistry Major
d.) Change to existing B.S. Chemistry Major – Physical Chemistry Option
e.) Change to existing B.S. Chemistry Major – Biochemistry Option
f.) Change to existing B.S. Chemistry Major – Chemical Physics Option
g.) Change to existing B.S. Chemistry Major – Environmental Chemistry Option
h.) Change to existing B.S. Chemistry Major
i.) Change to existing Chemistry Minor

Approval was granted for: j.) New Brazilian Studies Minor
k.) Proposal for New Minor in Social & Behavioral Sciences Methodology

B. ACADEMIC STANDARDS—Professor Carlson reported they continued to hear petitions.

C. ADVISING & AWARDS—Professor Crandall reported they were reviewing awards.

OLD BUSINESS

FULL COMMITTEE ACTION:

1. Approval was granted for: The Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Advising was awarded to the History Department.
2. With noted changes to the April 10, 2007, document recommending Plus/Minus grading for undergraduate courses in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, a motion was approved to forward this recommendation to CAC (College Academic Council) with items 1, 2 and 7 of the document to be presented for action and the rest of the document to be presented as supplementary material.

NEW BUSINESS No Report

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05