Governance Actions March 2007

The Curriculum

Program actions:

The Faculty Senate has approved the Bachelor of Applied Studies degree, amending the proposal to outlaw double-counting of transfer and our own courses.

The Global Studies minor has been approved by the Provost.

The First Nations Studies proposal for a major is on the Board of Regents' agenda for April.

The Faculty Senate has approved a revision of the Humanities requirements in General Education.

The proposal to add Ancient and Medieval Studies as an area of emphasis in Humanistic Studies has been approved by the Provost.

The proposal to add an Emergency Management area of emphasis in Interdisciplinary Studies has been approved by the Provost.

Course actions:

--- 198 Freshman Seminar, an umbrella course available to all units has been approved by the Provost.

BUS ADM 472 Seminar in Leadership recommended by the GEC for writing emphasis.

HIST 312 Early American Republic approved by the Provost.

HIST 483X History of Russian Empire to 1700 recommended by the GEC for writing emphasis

HUD 283X Freshman Seminar: Gods, Ghosts, and Goblins: Understanding Belief recommended by the GEC for writing emphasis and SS-1.

HUB 283X Fantastic Voyage: Science in Films recommended by the GEC for writing emphasis and NS-2 credit.

HUS 283X Freshman Seminar: The Culture of Food recommended by the GEC for writing emphasis and humanities credit.

HUS 483X Italy from Within: Contemporary Italy recommended by the GEC for world cultures credit.

Phil 103 Critical Thinking approved by the Provost.

Personnel Practices

Local review of a new UW System policy of criminal background checks is being scheduled.

Due to a recent series of complaints, the Chancellor has announced he will be seeking ways to combat complacency over sexual ethics in the workplace.

The Personnel Council and the Committee of Six Full Professors have completed their reviews of faculty promotions for this year.

Governance Structures and Policies

The Committee on Committees and Nominations supports the abolition of the Student Affairs Committee. The matter is now before the Faculty Senate.

The Institutional Assessment Committee passed a resolution "that UWGB meets the UW System criteria for student evaluation of instruction (Regent Policy 868) but that there remains a need to improve uniformity in evaluation procedures and to improve explicitness of how those procedures are defined."