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Resolution for a change in Women's Studies Minor

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Resolution #12 1991-92

TO: President John E. Van de Wetering
FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on 4-20-92
(Date)
RE: X I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)
For your information
SUBJECT: Resolution for a Change in Women's Studies **Minor**



Signed Edward J. Van Duzer Date Sent 4-29-92
(For the Senate)

TO: The Faculty Senate
FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering
RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
a. Accepted. Effective Date July 92
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on _____
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation
II, III.
a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment:

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Distribution Date 5/11/92 Signed: [Signature]
(President of the College)

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TO: J. Emory Morris, Faculty Senate

FROM: Evy Newlyn

DATE: 25 March 1992

SUBJECT: Changes in the Women's Studies Minor

The Women's Studies Curriculum Committee recommends changes in the academic requirements for the minor in Women's Studies.

~~Old Requirements: At present, the minor consists simply of the student's choice of six courses from the list of Women's Studies electives.~~

Now Requirements:

A. Nine hours in the three core WMS courses; descriptions are attached:

WMS 101, "Introduction to Women's Studies" (3 hours)
WMS 301, "Feminist Theory" (3 hours)
WMS 401, "Senior Seminar in Women's Studies" (3 hours)

B. Nine hours of Women's Studies electives, chosen by advisement. At least one of the courses must be an upper-division course. A list of Women's Studies electives is attached.

C. Half of the credits for the minor must be taken at Brockport.

Justification:

With no required courses the minor at present lacks a coherent core and a logical and meaningful progression of study. The proposed changes will provide the student the following:

- a) an introduction to the discipline, its methodologies, and its theoretical underpinnings.
- b) a cohesive program of study that ensures both breadth and depth.
- c) an integrative capstone experience at the minor's end.

Please let me know if you need further information. Thank you for your attention.

Women's Studies Cross-listed Courses

WMS 315	AAS	Contemporary Black Women
WMS 339	AAS/ENL	Image of Women in Afro-American Fiction
WMS 261	ANT	Sex and Culture
WMS 262	ANT	The Female: Myth and Reality
WMS 403	ANT	Biography and Life History
WMS 479	CRJ	Victimology
WMS 481	CRJ	Women and Criminal Justice
WMS 427	ENL	Women in the Novel
WMS 441	ENL	Seeking Herselves
WMS 459	ENL	Romantic Couples on Film: Genre, Soc & Mean in Cin
WMS 496	ENL	Sex and Censorship in Literature and the Media
WMS 375	SPN	Latin American Women
WMS 419	HLS	Human Sexuality
WMS 425	HLS	Women and Safety
WMS 328	HST	Women in America
WMS 354	HST	American Film Genres
WMS 354	HST	American Film Genres
WMS 380	NUR	Issues and Perspectives on Women's Health Care
WMS 454	NUR	Professional Women: Values and Lifestyle
WMS 396	PES	Women in Sport
WMS 313	PLS	Gender Politics
WMS 314	PLS	Issues in American Politics & Government
WMS 362	PLS	Sexual Politics
WMS 435	PLS/AHS	Legal Rights of the Disadvantaged
WMS 333	PSH	Psychology of Gender
WMS 475	SWO	Women and the Helping Professions
WMS 361	SOC	Sociology of Sex, Marriage, and Family
WMS 451	SOC	Women and Work
WMS 452	SOC	Women and Health
WMS 453	SOC	Contemporary Women's Issues
WMS 464	SOC	Sex Roles and Social Change
WMS 465	SOC	Sociology of Aging
WMS 363	THE	Playwriting
WMS 200		Topics in Women's Studies
WMS 499		Independent Study in Women's Studies (1-3 hours)

Description of WMS 101, "Introduction to Women's Studies"

An introduction to Women's Studies, to its perspective, and to its interdisciplinary nature. Using several disciplines, the class will examine women's position in culture and society and will explore the genesis, the development, and the impact of our culture's assumptions about women's nature and women's roles.

Description of WMS 301, "Feminist Theory"

An advanced, interdisciplinary, and multicultural introduction to the main traditions of feminist theory, to the impact of recent feminist theory on a variety of disciplines, and to feminist theory as applied to various issues in society and culture.

Description of WMS 401, "Senior Seminar in Women's Studies"

An integrative, interdisciplinary, and multicultural course providing advanced study of a significant topic in Women's Studies; this capstone seminar provides students the opportunity to think critically and analytically about women's lives, experiences, values, and contributions, and to produce a well-reasoned seminar paper.