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WMS Distribution of Elective Requirements for the Major

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TO: Dr. John R. Halstead, College President
FROM: The College Senate  May 5, 2008
RE:  RE:  
I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
   a. (Accepted)
      Implementation Effective Date: Fall 2008
   b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on 8/1/08
   c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II. Recommendation (Urging the Fitness of)
III. Other, For Your Information (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJ: WMS Distribution of Elective Requirements for the Major routing #31

07-08 UC

Signed: (P. Gibson Ralph, 2007-2008 College Senate President)
Date: 8/1/08

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TO: P. Gibson Ralph, The College Senate President
FROM: John R. Halstead, College President
RE:  
I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution (circle choice)
   a. (Accepted)
      Implementation Effective Date: Fall 2008
   b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on 8/1/08
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II. III. Response to Recommendation or Other/TVT
   a. Received and acknowledged 8/1/08
   b. Comment:

Signed: (Dr. John R. Halstead, President, SUNY College at Brockport)
Date: 8/1/08

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1. PROPOSAL TITLE: Please be somewhat descriptive, ie. Graduate Probation/Dismissal Proposal rather than Graduate Proposal.

Women and Gender Studies Minor Changes in the distribution of elective requirements for the major

2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:
Women and Gender Studies proposes that the distribution of the elective requirement for the major be revised as follows: “Must choose four courses (12 credits) from approved interdisciplinary course offerings with no more than six credits from the same discipline.”

Proposal Rationale:
Women and Gender Studies recently adjusted the requirements to the major by increasing the major core from 21 credits to 24 credits and reducing the elective requirement from five courses (15 hours) to four courses (12 hours) as approved by the College Senate on 2/4/08. This proposal recommends modification of the distribution of elective credit hours to streamline and simplify courses identified as meeting the 12 hour elective requirement.

The current elective configuration is confusing to students and articulated in DARS in a way that necessitates frequent substitution considerations. Revising the distribution of electives facilitates advisement and course selection per the elective requirement without compromising the knowledge base of the major.

The side by side comparison of the current/proposed elective requirement distribution is attached.

3. ANTICIPATED EFFECTIVE DATE: Fall ’08

4. SUBMISSION & REVISION DATES: PLEASE PUT A DATE ON ALL UPDATED DOCUMENTS TO AVOID CONFUSION.

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*Use routing number and title in all reference to this proposal.
Must choose five (5) electives from approved interdisciplinary courses:

- Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Behavioral and Physical Sciences

Interdisciplinary courses are listed under Women’s Studies Cross-listed Courses.

**EITHER**

At least one course from each of the following:

- Humanities: 3 credits
- Social Sciences: 3 credits
- Behavioral and Physical Sciences: 3 credits

And two (2) more approved courses: 6 credits

Total electives: 15 credits

**OR**

At least two (2) courses in either Humanities, Social Sciences, or Behavioral and Physical Sciences. Plus at least one (1) course in each of the remaining two (2) concentrations. Plus one (1) more approved by advisor course.

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March 6, 2008

I also endorse this proposal.

Barb LeSavoy, PhD
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I approve the attached proposal to modify the requirements for the WMS major.

Stuart Appelle, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Letters and Sciences
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