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Glassboro State College Senate Curriculum Committee

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Approval Form

Proposal Title: Request for minor curriculum change

Sponsor(s) History Dept. Program Cm. Dept.: History Dept. Ext. 7312

Check one: Course Specialization Concentration Minor Achievement Certificate
 Certification Program Major Program Minor Change number change 3 COURSES
(please name deletion or credit/title/catalog change)

Undergraduate Graduate Credit Hours

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| <p>Step 1 (Department)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <u>2-87</u> Date</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p><u>R.M. Petryfield</u> Dept. CC Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed <u>2-13-89</u> Date</p> <p><u>R.M. Petryfield</u> Dept. Chairperson</p> | <p>Step 2 (Receipt)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SCC# <u>89-90-09</u></p> <p>Proposal Received <u>11/15/89</u> Date</p> <p><u>Linda Row</u> SCC Chairperson</p> | <p>Step 3 (School CC)</p> <p>Reviewed <u>(Charles W. Schultz)</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved <u>2-2-90</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved</p> <p>Comments:</p> <p><u>Charles W. Schultz</u> School Curr Comm Chairperson</p> |
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Step 4 (Academic Dean) **Comments:**

Recommend
 Not Recommend
 Conditionally Recommend (see comments)

Reviewed 2-2-90
Date

Manna DeStefano
Signature, Dean of School

Step 5 (SCC)

Open Hearing Date Approved by Senate Curriculum Committee Date

Returned to sponsor(s) for the following reasons:

Step 6 (Senate)

Presented to Senate Date Approved Not Approved

Notification to Executive Vice-President/Provost 2/24/90
Date Signature, SCC Chairperson

Step 7 (Executive V.P./Provost)

Received 3/1/90
Date

Approved Yes No

If no, reasons are as follows:

Course Number Change

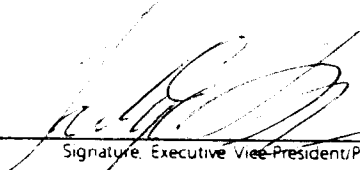
| | <u>Old No.</u> | <u>New No.</u> |
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| American Military History | 2205-215 | 2205- 330 337 |
| Women in American History | 2205-201 | 2205- 421 422 |
| Women in Western Civilization | 2205-265 | 2205- 420 419 |

Student credit hours SAME

Faculty load hours "

Equalized credit hours ✓

Official copy and approval sheet filed _____
Date



Signature, Executive Vice-President/Provost

Registrar

Approved course description received 25 July 90
Date

Hegis Taxonomy and Course Number assigned see above

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Signature, Registrar

25 July 90
Date

Notification forwarded:

- Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson
- Department Chairperson(s)
- Academic Dean(s)
- Registrar
- Sponsor(s)

REQUEST FOR A MINOR CURRICULAR CHANGE
CHANGE IN COURSE NUMBERS PROPOSAL

1. Details

A. Change request:

Change from:

American Military History 2205-215 ✓
Women in American History 2205-201 ✓
Women in Western Civilization 2205-265 ✓

Change to:

American Military History 2205-330
Women in American History 2205-421
Women in Western Civilization 2205-420

B. Sponsor

History Department
Program Committee of History Department
Dr Richard M. Porterfield, Chairperson

2. Rationale

A. Statements on need for such a change

The above named courses are presently run at the lower division level as free electives. The category creates problems both for the Department and the Program. As free electives the courses require a level of background knowledge that is too often lacking in the students who sign up for the courses. Secondly, as lower division courses the History Program prevents the major from taking these course. An upper division number would permit students with some background derived from general education courses to more successfully deal with the advanced nature of the subject matter.

B. Curricular effect.

The History Department Program committee is revising the program requirements to conform to the memorandum of understanding that resulted from program review and a consultant's report. The Program is to take the form of a three track system at the upper division level. Majors will have to pursue a twelve credit hour specialization in one of the three tracks: European, American, Non-Western. At the same time, the program must conform to the college goal of incorporating race, class and gender into the course offerings. It is essential that the Department offer a sufficient number of courses in each track to serve the program needs of the major.

3. Results of consultation.

Dr Walter Licht of the University of Pennsylvania served as consultant for the Program Review held in the spring of 1988.

"The History Department's major is well conceived and

decidedly inclusive and rigorous. This is a demanding major....However there are two problems that deserve addressing. First, students interviewed by this evaluator unanimously complained that the department does not offer sufficient 300-400 level courses to fulfill the "restricted elective" requirement....To solve this problem, this reviewer would recommend that the department consider renumbering a few 200-level courses as 300-400, that current narrow issues courses be offered as upper-level electives, and that there be a better rotation of upper-level offerings.

The second problem is more difficult. ...yet there is no formal pressure or requirement to have depth or focus in the major. The faculty should be encouraged to consider possibilities for insisting that there be coherence generally or even mastery of a subject; specific "tracking" could either be by geography or subject."

Memorandum of Understanding:History Program, 1988.

approved and signed by Dean Boskow, Vice President Tinsley, and Chairperson Porterfield for the Department. Front page attached.

Dr Linda Jeffrey, coordinator Women's Studies.



GLASSBORO STATE COLLEGE

Dean of Liberal Arts & Sciences

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Memorandum of Understanding: History Program, 1988

The history department and the dean of liberal arts and sciences express general agreement with the report of the consultant, Dr. Walter Licht. Dr. Licht's evaluation characterized the history major as well-conceived and rigorous and commended the department for fulfilling its general education role well. However, several issues were brought up that need to be addressed.

Goals

Goals need to be clarified and integrated with curriculum planning.

Agreement

The department will develop a process and timetable for review and revision of requirements and tracks within the history major and revise departmental goals in light of this planning by May, 1989.

Program Structure and Reputation

The department presents a "rigorous and rounded program to majors" and performs an "important service function" quite well. The faculty are respected in the community, and many are active scholars in their respective fields.

Curriculum

The suggested restructuring of the "Issues" course has been completed. The number and range of offerings at the 300 and 400 level is presently being considered.

Agreement

The department will agree on a list of courses to be offered at the 300 and 400 level in each track and will develop a realistic three to four year cycle for offering courses by May, 1989.

Departmental Affairs

The suggested improvements in collegiality are in process of development.

Agreement

Members of the department will work together as a group to develop curriculum and staffing plans and schedule of course offerings.

Students

Suggestions for improving student advising and links with students are being carried out by the department. The department faculty has met with students as a group. The department is continuing its involvement with Phi Alpha Theta.

Agreement

The department will develop a mechanism to assure consistency in student advising. Members of the department will increase faculty involvement in student clubs, e.g. Phi Alpha Theta.

Faculty

The department is presently sorting out its priorities and planning for the future. There is a definite need to replace Marie Wanek with a specialist in Asian History.

Agreement

A new faculty member in Asian history will be hired for AY 89-90. The department will develop a long range staffing plan in conjunction with curriculum planning by January, 1990.

Adrian Tinsley,
Executive Vice President/Provost

Minna Doskow,
Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Richard Porterfield,
Chairperson, History