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At the Curricular Affairs Committee's meeting of March 19, 2001 the following matters were considered and are now presented to the Faculty Senate.

SECTION I

Informational Matters

A. College of Arts and Sciences

African and African-American Studies Program

CROSS-LIST: PSY 399 as "PSY 399 (or AAF 399) Introduction to Multicultural Psychology (3)."

B. College of Human Science and Services

Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design

a. CHANGE: Title and description for TMD 103:

TMD 103 Textile Products (3) Product knowledge in design, manufacturing, and merchandising within the textile complex. Emphasis on domestic and international issues. Survey of careers in business, industry, government and research.

b. CHANGE: Number and description for TMD 216:

TMD 226 (216) Interior Design I (3) Physical, social, psychological, economic and aesthetic aspects required of interiors for single and multiple dwellings; interactive functions of residential and commercial spaces; elements and principles of design.
c. CHANGE: Prerequisite for TMD 327 to "Pre: ART 101, 103 or 207 and TMD 222 or 325."

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SECTION II

Curricular Matters Which Require Confirmation by the Faculty Senate

A. College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Political Science

ADD: PSC 350 From Cold War to Cold Peace (3) This course provides essential political and historical background to understanding the evolution of U.S. and Soviet relations over the past 50 years. (Lec. 3) Pre: 116.

B. College of Business Administration

Management Area Curriculum

CHANGE: Requirements to read as follows:

Management majors must complete the following courses: MGT 302, MGT 303, MGT 380 and an additional four 300, 400 or 500 (if qualified) level electives chosen from either Management or Business Law. If one of these courses is not MGT 453, then one professional elective must be used for ECN 338, ECN 344, FIN 452, MGT 453 or MKT 451. The Area Coordinator may substitute another course outside the Area for a management elective if it enhances the student's career objective. The four management electives replace MGT 306, 407, 423 and one free elective.

C. College of Engineering

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

CHANGE: Footnote describing senior electives to read as follows:

"However, two of the courses must be chosen from ELE 408, 427, 444, 447, 458; or 489, and of these two, one must be chosen from ELE 408, 427, 447."
D. College of the Environment and Life Sciences

Department of Biochemistry, Microbiology and Molecular Genetics

*CHANGE: Name of Department to "Department of Cell and Molecular Biology."

*May require approval by the Board of Governors.

E. College of Human Science and Services

1. Department of Physical Education and Exercise Science

CHANGE: Description of the general option in Physical Education and Exercise Science to read as follows:

The general option is designed for students who desire a more broad scope to their education, and for students transferring into the department. Students are strongly advised to seek guidance from their advisor in planning their course of study and choosing a focus area. Students complete courses to fulfill the General Education requirements, and the Physical Education and Exercise Science core courses that are common to all options in the Department. Requirements specific to the general option include PEX 120, 130, 280, 243, 270, 275, 322, 375, NFS 207, CSC 101, and HDF 357. Additionally, students must complete 18-21 credits in a department approved focus area, or complete a University approved minor.

2. Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design

a. DELETE: The following courses:

1) TMD 316 Housing Space and Function (3)

2) TMD 336 Fabrics for Interiors (3)

b. CHANGE: Curriculum as follows:

1) Add ART 101 or 207 as a requirement for the Fine Arts and Literature category for the Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design major.
2) Add a minor in Art for Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design majors:

Select at least 12 credits from ART 101, 103, 203, 204, 207, 213, 231, ARH 120, 184, 251, 252. Of the remaining six credits, at least 3 credits must be a 300-level ART or ARH course.

3) Add TMD 402 as requirement for both Textile, Fashion Merchandising and Design majors and Textile Marketing majors.

F. Labor Research Center

ADD: Undergraduate minor in Labor Studies:

Students who declare a minor in labor studies are required to complete 18 credits including LRS 480, Seminar in Labor Studies. The remaining fifteen credits can be selected from HIS 349, MGT 300, 321, 422 and 423; SOC 241, 336, 320, 350, and 432; PSC 369, 471, 472, and 498; ECN 338, 368, 381, and 386; and COM 460 or other courses approved in consultation with LRS faculty.

G. The 4 year rule (section 8.81.62 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL)

1. DELETE: NES 200

2. RETAIN: STA 413, 491 492

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SECTION I I I

Joint Report of the Curricular Affairs Committee and Graduate Council

At the March 19, 2001 meeting of the Curricular Affairs Committee and the March 2, and March 23, 2001 meetings of the Graduate Council the following matters were considered and are now presented to the Faculty Senate for confirmation.

A. 400-Level Courses

1. College of Human Science and Services

Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design
1) CHANGE: Number, description and prerequisite for TMD 406:


2) CHANGE: Level, number, description and prerequisite for TMD 416:

TMD 326 (416) Interior Design II (3) Application and implementation of design concepts to interior spaces; elevations, sections, materials selection, isometrics and perspectives, presentation boards. Introduction to computer-aided design (Lec. 2, Lab. 2) Pre: ART 101 OR 207, TMD 103, 226.

3) CHANGE: Level and number for the following courses:

a) TMD 532 to TMD 452 (532) consumer Behavior in Fashion Retailing

b) TMD 542 to TMD 442 (542) Fashion Promotion

*2. Labor Research Center

ADD: LRS 480 Seminar in Labor Studies (3) Intensive studies examining various important topics in labor studies. Class discussion of assigned readings and student reports.(Lec. 3) Pre: Permission of instructor. Not for graduate credit.

*No action by Graduate Council. Not for graduate credit.

*B. Accelerated Bachelor of Landscape Architecture and Master of Community Planning Option

College of the Environment and Life Sciences

Department of Community Planning and Landscape Architecture

ADD: Accelerated Bachelor of Landscape Architecture and Master of Community Planning Option:

URI undergraduate Landscape Architecture (LAR) majors who are interested in the accelerated program may follow a special sequence of
graduate-level course work during their junior and senior years. This includes CPL 410, 511, 530, 525, 538, 545. If eligible, following the award of the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA) students may complete a 31-semester-hour master's degree (rather than the usual 50-semester-hour master's degree) in one year of full-time graduate study. This option, which requires careful sequencing of junior, senior and graduate course work, is not available to students from other undergraduate institutions nor to students who elect part-time study prior to admission to the program. CPL 410, 511 and 525 will be applied toward the required core courses in the Master's degree. CPL 410 will satisfy the required course of CPL 501. CPL 530, 538 and 545 will be applied toward the courses in the specialization area. Students in this program will select the "Urban Design and Physical Planning" specialization in the Master's program.

Admission requirements: GRE, URI senior standing in Landscape Architecture with all major requirements completed; a 3.00 cumulative grade point average; and two letters of recommendation from URI Community Planning and Landscape Architecture faculty.

Program requirements: for students who have taken the specified 19 credits of community planning coursework in the junior and senior years to complete the bachelor's degree in landscape architecture, 31 credits of course work in the graduate program in Community Planning. The internship requirement will be fulfilled during the summer prior to entering the graduate program. Specific course requirements are as stated in the regular 50 semester-hour master's program.

*May require approval by the Board of Governors.