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CREATION OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

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FACULTY SENATE

BILL

Adopted by the Faculty Senate

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TO: President Werner A. Baum
FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The Attached BILL, titled CREATION OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
GENERAL STUDIES

is forwarded for your consideration.

2. The original and two copies for your use are included.

3. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on 72-12-7
(date)

4. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Regents, completing the appropriate endorsement below.

5. In accordance with Section 8, paragraph 2 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective on 72-12-28 (date), three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Regents for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Regents, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

December 12, 1972
(date)

Stephen B. Wood /s/
Chairman of the Faculty Senate
Stephen B. Wood

ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

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1. Returned.

2. Approved ✓ Disapproved _____

3. (If approved) In my opinion, transmittal to the Board of Regents is not necessary.

12/14/72
(date)

Werner A. Baum /s/
President

(OVER)

ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Board of Regents.

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded.

2. Approved.

_____/s/
(date) President

ENDORSEMENT 2.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.

1. Forwarded.

_____/s/
(date) _____
(Office)

ENDORSEMENT 3.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: The University President

1. Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

_____/s/
(date) President

Original received and forwarded to the Secretary of the Senate and Registrar for filing in the Archives of the University.

_____/s/
(date) Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FACULTY SENATE BILL #72-73-8

The Faculty Senate approved the following:

"to create a Degree of Bachelor of General Studies."

It is implied in the passage of this bill that this degree will only be awarded by the College of Continuing Education.

December 13, 1972

Dr. Werner A. Baum
President
218 Administration

Dear Werner:

Again, a very precise explanatory statement should accompany this piece of legislation. The motion "to create a Degree of Bachelor of General Studies" was explicitly separated from the rationale that accompanied it (see pages 21-24 of the Agenda for the Faculty Senate meeting on November 9th).

During discussion Dean Dillavou took the position that the Senate, if it adopted the motion, would merely authorize the newly approved College of Continuing Education (in reality, at this moment, the administrative staff and faculty of the Extension Division) to proceed with its efforts to fashioning the substance of the degree program; and that this substance, when fully developed, would be returned to the Faculty Senate for approval.

In other words, the legislation authorizes the creation of a degree program; it does not approve the substance of the particular program. The latter, specific approval of the program content, must subsequently be received from the Senate before students can be admitted into the degree program.

In addition, as is indicated on the statement describing the bill, Dean Dillavou, when questioned, indicated that the authorization implied that the degree in General Studies would be awarded only by the College of Continuing Education and not by any other college within the University. This intention was understood by members of the Senate when they voted to carry the motion.

Sincerely,

Stephen B. Wood
Chairman, Faculty Senate

Enclosure

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