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One Hundred and Thirty-Third Report of the Curricular Affairs Committee: Creation of a College of Human Science and Services

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UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
Kingston, Rhode Island

FACULTY SENATE
BILL
Adopted by the Faculty Senate

TO: President Frank Newman

FROM: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached BILL, titled One Hundred and Thirty-Third Report of the Curricular Affairs Committee: Creation of a College of Human Science and Services, 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 May 19, 1977 (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 June 9, 1977 (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.

May 20, 1977 (date)

Daniel P. Bergen
Chairman of the Faculty Senate

ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO: Chairman of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

1. Returned.

2. Approved _____ Disapproved _____

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

June 8, 1977 (date)

President

Form revised 6/74
ALTERNATE ENDORSEMENT 1.

TO:  Chairman of the Board of Regents  
FROM:  The University President  
1.  Forwarded.  
2.  Approved.  

(date)  

President  

ENDORSEMENT 2.  

TO:  Chairman of the Faculty Senate  
FROM:  Chairman of the Board of Regents, via the University President.  
1.  Forwarded.  

(date)  

(Office)  

ENDORSEMENT 3.  

TO:  Chairman of the Faculty Senate  
FROM:  The University President  
1.  Forwarded from the Chairman of the Board of Regents.  

(date)  

President  

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

(date)  

Chairman of the Faculty Senate
Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee One Hundred and Thirty-Third Report

At its meeting of May 2, 1977, the Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee considered the following matters regarding the creation of a College of Human Science and Services now presented to the Faculty Senate.

SECTION I

The Curricular Affairs Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate adopt the following proposals regarding the creation of a College of Human Science and Services:

A. That the Department of Food and Nutritional Science (College of Home Economics) and the Department of Food Science and Technology (College of Resource Development) be combined on June 19, 1977, or as soon thereafter as is possible, to form the Department of Food Science & Technology, Nutrition and Dietetics (FSN) in the College of Resource Development.

Students currently enrolled in the Food and Nutritional Science degree programs shall have the option of completing their Home Economics program or completing a degree program in the College of Resource Development. In the latter case, the student must meet all graduation requirements of the College of Resource Development.

B. That the remaining departments of the College of Home Economics—namely, Child Development and Family Relations, Home Economics Education, Home Management, and Textiles, Clothing and Related Art—be combined with the Department of Education (College of Arts and Sciences) and the Department of Physical Education (College of Arts and Sciences) on July 1, 1978 to form the College of Human Science and Services. That the Adult Education program faculty in the College of Resource Development be invited to meet with the new college faculty with a view toward joining the new college if they so desire.

C. That the new college faculty remain members of the College of Arts and Sciences or the College of Home Economics during the 1977-1978 academic year for purposes of university governance and collective bargaining. However, in order that they might prepare for the establishment of the new college, the prospective new college faculty shall be constituted as a corporate body, once the Faculty Senate and President have approved creation of the new college. Before the beginning of the Fall semester 1977, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate should determine who are and who are not voting members of a college faculty. Among the responsibilities of the new College faculty shall be:
1. the adoption of rules of operation and the election of such committees as the faculty may deem appropriate;

2. the preparation of a mission statement for the college which may incorporate concepts from the mission statement drafted by the New College Task Force:

   The Mission of the College shall be to identify and create knowledge about human problems of both individuals and groups as they grow out of man’s immediate encounter with changing physical, social, intellectual and philosophical environments, and to prepare professionals who are competent to prevent, solve, and/or cope with these problems.

   The mission will be accomplished through teaching, research and service activities which are essentially, though not exclusively, interdisciplinary in character, and which focus on the use of human and nonhuman resources to improve the quality of both human life and the environment.

   Program development flows from an ongoing assessment of these human problems. Students and faculty of the College will require both disciplinary expertise and a capacity to cross disciplinary boundaries in fulfilling the mission of the College;

3. the preparation of proposals defining the organizational structure of the college, including the establishment of a research institute and the modification of department structure and department names, if the faculty wish to propose any such changes;

4. the preparation of proposals for the introduction, modification, or abolition of curricula or courses, and the consideration of a new degree called the Bachelor of Science in Home Economics;

5. the preparation of proposals for the introduction and development of interdisciplinary programs.

For the purposes outlined above the new college faculty shall be granted the same corporate status within the University as the other colleges and schools and shall be subject to the same University rules and regulations. Proposals approved by the new college faculty which require the approval of the Faculty Senate and/or university administrators shall be treated by those authorities, even before July 1, 1978, as if the proposals had originated from an established college.

D. That a Dean of the College of Human Science and Services be appointed no later than July 1, 1978.

E. That to facilitate the work of the new college faculty, the President appoint a New College Coordinator for the 1977-78 academic year. The Coordinator shall not be a person affiliated with any new college department and shall not be a candidate for the deanship of the College of
Human Science and Services. For administrative purposes the Coordinator shall report directly to the Vice President for Academic Affairs; the Coordinator shall be entitled to participate without voting privileges in the meetings of the Council of Deans, the Joint Educational Policy Committee and the Faculty Senate. In consultation with representatives of the new college departments and the university administration, the Coordinator shall be responsible for the preparation of the constituent meeting of the new college faculty. The Coordinator shall chair that meeting. The meeting will take place as early as is possible in the fall semester 1977.

F. That the Faculty Senate CBUM Committee review the Faculty Senate By-Laws and the University Manual and recommend to the Faculty Senate at its first meeting in February 1978 such changes in these documents as may be necessitated by the establishment of the new college. The Faculty Senate shall be reapportioned for the 1978-79 academic year to take account of the new college.

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SECTION II

Informational

The Curricular Affairs Committee recommends the creation of the College of Human Science and Services in order to facilitate the development of interdisciplinary programs in human science and services. This proposal has the support of the faculty of every department which will be included.

The vacancy of the Deanship of the College of Home Economics since 1974 has provided the University an occasion to reassess the role of the Home Economics faculty within the University. In addition to the Home Economics faculty, others involved in the reassessment have included the President and three Presidential Committees (The Budget Task Force, the Committee to Study the Feasibility of a New College and the New College Task Force), the Vice President for Academic Affairs and groups of faculty within the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Resource Development. Human Services as a Priority of the University has been discussed by the Joint Educational Policy Committee and members of the university community.

The plan now recommended to the Faculty Senate was developed by the Curricular Affairs Committee based upon departmental responses to recommendations made by the Vice President for Academic Affairs on March 7, 1977.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs has estimated that the incremental cost of implementing this proposal would be approximately $35,000 per year. The cost will cover additional administrative expenses including the appointment of a full-time Associate Dean or a half-time Associate Dean and a half-time Assistant Dean.

The merger of the Department of Food and Nutritional Science with the Department of Food Science and Technology is desired by the faculty of both departments and is in recognition of their common mission of teaching, research and service in food science. Steps will be taken to guarantee the availability of FNS courses for Home Economics students. Some faculty may receive joint appointments in Home Economics departments and departments in the new college.

Extensive documentation regarding the proposed new college is available for review in the Faculty Senate Office.
Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee One Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Report

At its meeting of May 2, 1977, the Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee considered the following matters now presented to the Faculty Senate.

SECTION I

Informational Changes (Including Temporary Courses):

A. College of Arts and Sciences

1. Department of English

CHANGE: Title and description for ENG 374:

ENG 374 The Eighteenth Century (1,3) Major trends in fiction, poetry, and drama with emphasis on Swift, Defoe, Goldsmith, Boswell, Johnson, and Sterne. (Lec. 3) Pre: Junior or senior standing. In alternate years. Reaves

2. Department of Philosophy

PHL 319X Philosophy of History (1,3) Examination of central philosophical problems raised by the discipline of history; truth and fact in history, historical explanation and understanding, permanence and change in social time. (Lec. 3) Pre: One course in philosophy and one course in history or permission of instructor. Johnson

3. Department of Theatre

THE 113X Summer Performance Workshop (SS,6) Development of skills in acting, directing, playwriting, stagecraft and theatre administration within the context of a professional summer theatre program. Participation in productions required. (Practicum--minimum of 60 hours per week for 8 weeks). Pre: Permission of instructor. Not applicable to BA or BFA concentrations in Theatre at URI except by special permission of the Theatre Department. Staff