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Can we put this item on the agenda again for tomorrow?

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To: Beth Morling
Cc: Shermeyer, Frederick C.; Raul Lobo; boncelet@ee.udel.edu; Vaughan, Michael L.
Subject: RE: Revision of College of Eng. Breadth Statement.

Beth,

Thanks. And, yes, you are correct that the only courses on the College list are foreign language courses. I am sure that Eric was sent this list. If he hasn't forwarded a copy to you and you want one, please let me know.

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From: Beth Morling [morling@psych.udel.edu]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2010 4:19 PM
To: Shermeyer, Frederick C.
Subject: RE: Revision of College of Eng. Breadth Statement.

Hi Chuck,

Thanks for the explanation. I will bring up the "may" vs. "must" issue with my committee and see what they say!

Just to clarify then:

It sounds like the foreign language courses are the only exception? That is, would your college consider something like this:

Take one of each University Breadth Group for University Breadth

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Take an additional 9 credits from the first three categories of the University Breadth list. If desired, students may use also Foreign language courses in addition to these three categories.

That is, is the ONLY difference between the "engineering list" and the "university list" the addition of the FLLT courses?

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Subject: RE: Revision of College of Eng. Breadth Statement.

Beth,

Thanks for your email. By the way, I am just a "Mr." not a "Dr." – and actually, "Chuck" is just fine!

First Concern: The only reason we wrote "must" is that, in practice, the only place students can take a multicultural course without an overload is in their breadth requirements. We can change it to "may", but in practice students "must".

Second Concern: The separate College of Engineering list contains foreign language courses which the College has counted toward the College's Humanities Breadth Requirement in the past. While there is no Foreign Language proficiency requirement in Engineering akin to the College of Arts and Sciences, for example, we have always felt it was important to provide this opportunity for our students and have the coursework count for part of their College of Engineering Breadth Requirements. A Foreign Language proficiency requirement akin to the current Arts and Sciences requirement would not be possible in the College of Engineering due to the number of credits already required to obtain a degree. If the new University Breadth Requirements (UBRs) contain these courses, then there would be no reason for us to maintain a separate list. However, if the new UBRs do not, we would like to keep this list in order to give Engineering students the

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opportunity to pursue a foreign language either as contributing to their UBRs or toward a minor in a foreign language. We would require the students to fulfill their University BR from the list the University adopts, but allow them to use the College of Engineering list to fulfill the requirements our College has over and above what the University is requiring.

I hope these answers clarify the thinking our Ed Affairs committee on the matter. We look forward to hearing back from your committee on the resolution.

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Subject: Revision of College of Eng. Breadth Statement.

Dear Dr. Shermeyer,

I am chair of the University Undergraduate Studies Committee (UGS) this year. We met recently to consider your proposal to revise the College of Engineering Breadth Requirement Statement. Our committee was pleased to see that your college is taking initiative to adapt your college's breadth requirements to incorporate the new, University breadth list.

Before moving this proposal forward, our committee would like you to consider two revisions to your proposal.

First, we did not see a compelling reason to state that "of the 21 credits, 3 must satisfy the University Multicultural Requirement". Certainly it would be a good idea for students to make one course count for two things; however, we don't see any justification for requiring students to do this. We would like you to consider revising the proposal to state "of the 21 credits, 3 *may* satisfy the University Multicultural Requirement". If you do not want to make this change, could you please provide us with a rationale for the current phrasing?

Second, we are concerned that your College is apparently maintaining a separate College of Engineering Breadth Requirement list. Two colleges, already, have decided to change their current proposals so that any additional breadth requirements local to their college (such as additional Humanities courses) simply come from the University List—they are not maintaining separate College Breadth lists. Furthermore, a separate College Breadth list goes against the spirit of the original, University Breadth Requirement, which was striving to streamline advising for students and make it easier for students to move between colleges if needed. And our committee strongly feels that using a single University Breadth list is the most parsimonious for the undergraduate curriculum. With our comments in mind, can you provide a rationale for your wish to maintain a separate College of Engineering Breadth list? Would you consider revising your proposal to mention only the University Breadth list?

Thanks for considering these issues. Again, our committee is delighted at your proposal to incorporate the new requirements,

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and we are hoping to help you move your proposal forward.

Call with any questions—x8377.

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