Academic Planning, Standards approves changes

The Academic Planning and Standards Committee met on Oct. 16 and covered the following major items of business:

1. The student grade appeal procedure was amended. The following statement was added to Step 5 in the current procedure: “If after the appeal process has been completed, it is concluded that the grade assigned to the student is incorrect, the hearing committee shall provide for an appropriate change to be entered on the student’s transcript in accordance with standard university procedure.”

2. A new Basic Humanities degree was presented by representatives from Bible and Religion, Classics and Philosophy. The degree program is a cooperative effort between all three departments. The proposal was amended with the following statement and approved: “This program will be expanded within two years to include specific offerings and participation from the English, History, Fine Arts, Speech, and Modern Language departments in its period, contract, and basic interdisciplinary offerings if those departments so request.”

3. Course additions, changes and deletions connected with the progress or individual departments were approved. They were:

Deletions:
Bible and Religion 430 “Origins and Transmission of Bible” – 3 cr.
Bible and Religion 101 “Introduction to Religion” – 3 cr.
Bible and Religion 302 “Outlines of Church History” – 3 cr.
Classics 321 & 322 “Ancient Greek Lit. ” – “Ancient Roman Literature”

Additions:
Bible and Religion 150 “Orientation in Humanities” – 3 cr.
Philosophy 153 “Orientation in Humanities” – 3 cr.
Classics 150 “Orientation in Humanities” – 3 cr.
Bible and Religion 350 “Basic Humanities” – 3 cr.
Classics 350 “Basic Humanities” – 3 cr.
Bible and Religion 204 – “Approaches to the Bible” – 3 cr.
Classics 270 CL “Classical Archaeology” – 4 cr.
Philosophy 280 “Special Topics” – 3 cr.
Classics 429W “Reading For Helping in Classics” 6 cr. each
Bible and Religion 305 “Early Christianity” – 3 cr.
Bible and Religion 280 “Special Topics” – 1-4 hrs.

Changes:
Bible and Religion 300 – Change title from “Intro to the Study of Religion” to “The Nature of Religion”

More faculty, staff achievements, activities

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DR. RICHARD H. ROSSWURM, professor of political science, was elected president of the West Virginia Political Science Association at the group’s annual meeting in Charleston Oct. 17-18. DR. TROY M. STEWART, associate professor of political science, was appointed to the executive council for a three-year term as secretary.

Meeting set

Women of the faculty will meet at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3 in the English Department library on the third floor of Corbly Hall.

Presenting papers at the association meeting were DR. CLAIR W. MATZ, associate professor of political science; ISABEL PAUL, assistant reference librarian; Rosswurm; Keith Bowle, Political Science Department graduate student, and Diane Mufson, graduate student, serving as panel discussion chairman were BOS JOHNSON, associate professor of journalism, and Stewart, while DR. SIMON PERRY, professor and Political Science Department chairman; DR. M.L. BROWN, professor of social studies, and student Marty Smith were panel members. A number of political science graduate students also appeared on the program.

Rosswurm, the meeting’s program chairman, is the fourth academic association president to be elected from Marshall since 1967.

Bible and Religion 320 – Change from Bible and Religion 210 “Old Testament History” to “Lit. of the Old Testament”
Bible and Religion 205 – Change from Bible and Religion 301 “The Book of the Bible” to “Intro to Biblical Interpretation”
Classics 499A “Special Topics” number from 410-451
Classics 208 – Change “Little Greek and Roman Literature” – change number to 208 from 321-322
Bible and Religion 101 – change number to 350
Philosophy 101 – change number to 350
Classics 101 – change number to 350

4. Other course changes, additions or deletions submitted for approval were:
PE 215 – Addition “Sports Injury Control and Management” – 3 cr.
PHE 348 – Addition “Training Room Management” – 4 cr.
PE 641 – Addition “Theories and Factors Relating to Athletic Performance” – 3 cr.
Art 255 – Addition “Beginning Painting I” – 3 cr.
Art 256 – Addition “Beginning Painting II” – 3 cr.
History 223 – Addition “The Rise and Fall of Nazi Germany” – 3 cr.
Sph 103 – Change catalog description
Sph 202 – Change in title to “Introduction to Public Speaking”
Sph 207 – Change title to “Business and Professional Communication”
Sph 240 – Change in title to “Voice and Deiction”
Sph 250 – Change in title to “Creative Dramatics” and change in catalog description
Sph 305 – Change in title to “Principles of Communication”
Sph 321 – Change in title to “Research Theatre”
Sph 306 – Delete
Sph 308 – Addition “Persuasive Communication” – 3 cr.
EDF 216L – Add “Level I Clinical Experience” – 0 credit
CI 477 – Add “Level II Clinical Experience” – 0 credit
CHM 358 – Change 5 to 3 hrs of lecture
CHM 359 – Addition “Physical Chemistry Laboratory” – 2 cr.

All were approved.

5. The new Credit Union Department requested the minimum hours in an M.A. program in history be raised from 18 to 20. The request was approved.

6. The History Department requested approval of three curriculum changes. The changes included: (1) elimination of the Radiologic Technology Program, (2) elimination of the Credit Union Leadershhip and Management Program, but retaining three courses (CC 4902, CC 4903, CC 4909) to include in the Banking and Finance Program, and (3) removal of CC 4241 from the General Business Program. All changes were approved.

Any questions or suggestions about the above may be addressed to Giovanna Morton, chairman, or Sarah Deman, secretary.

University Council considers three items

The University Council met on Oct. 22 and considered the following items of business:

1. The Academic Planning and Standards Committee recommended modest changes in the Grade Appeals Policy. The council decided to submit the recommendations to the faculty through the News Letter (See story on page 3).

2. A subcommittee was formed to discuss a possible “conflict of interest problem on various University Committees or other decision-making bodies.” The object of this effort is to provide, if justified, suggested “guidelines for dealing with situations where committee members are in a position to make decisions involving members of their department itself.” (Quotes come from the letter to the council expressing concern.)

3. A request was received from the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee to submit to the faculty an
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DR. RAM N. SINGH, professor of sociology and anthropology, who currently is on leave of absence, attended the Census Advisory Committee on Population Statistics meeting at the Bureau of the Census in the Department of Commerce on Oct. 2. The committee discussed methods of undercount adjustment and its impact on allocation of federal funds, including General Revenue Sharing monies for state, county and local governments.

DR. VIOLET C. EASH, assistant professor of counseling and rehabilitation, conducted an all-day workshop on Crisis Intervention at Marshall Oct. 6 for child and family development caseworkers employed by Southwestern Community College.


PATRICIA SHAFER, instructor of management, attended the Region III Small Business Institute Directors’ Conference in Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 9-10. She was part of a panel and presented “Getting Outside Help for Business: Targeted Jobs,” based on the National Alliance for Business Survey done in 1978. She also represented Southern West Virginia at the National SCORE Workshop, Eastern Division, in Norfolk, Va., Oct. 14-15, with the purpose of making contacts and collecting information on starting a SCORE chapter here.

News media course designed for non-journalists

A new journalism course will be offered during the spring semester at Marshall — but it is designed for non-journalists.

Use and Understanding of the News Media, JRN 200, will give students an introduction to the roles and problems of various news media.

Bos Johnson, associate professor of journalism, said the course should produce better users and consumers of the news media. Johnson will coordinate the class, which will be team-taught by journalism faculty. Some of the planned topics include the purposes of a free press, journalism ethics and news gathering, production.

Honors Program to sponsor faculty research seminar

Marshall’s University Honors Program will sponsor a Faculty Research Seminar again this year for all interested faculty members, according to Dr. Michael J. Caligano, MU University Honors director.

An organizational meeting will be held at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, in the Honors Lounge, Northcott Hall 209, with Dr. Charles L. Loyd, assistant professor of classical studies, discussing his summer National Endowment for the Humanities seminar.

“The Faculty Research Seminar was held fortnightly last year and was a great success,” Caligano said. In addition to specific faculty programs, one session was held with the Marshall Research Board.

“Last year’s seasons were well attended, and did a great deal to help faculty become more aware of the variety and levels of research on campus,” Caligano said. “We hope to see more of the faculty involved this year.”

Personnel persons...

Amina Abbas, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. JABIR A. Abbas, professor of political science, wrote a poem entitled “The Prettiest Flower,” selected for publication in the “Eighty-Fifth Anthology of Creative Writing and Secondary Students of Cabell County Public Schools” published by the Language Arts Department of the Cabell County Board of Education in September. Amina is a junior at Huntington East High School.


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Changes in grade appeal procedure recommended

The Academic Planning and Standards Committee has recommended minor changes in the Grade Appeals Procedure. The University Council has examined the recommendations and believes that the changes recommended are not significant enough to be considered in a faculty meeting.

Please refer to the Grade Appeals Procedure on page 15 of the current “Greenbook.” The changes recommended are as follows:

1. Number 4.b. is to be changed from “The academic dean in whose college the course is offered” to “An academic dean from a college other than the college in which the course is offered.”

2. Number 5 is to be changed from “The full report of the action of the special subcommittee will be sent to the Academic Planning and Standards Committee which will hold further hearings.” to “The full report of the action of the special subcommittee will be sent to the Academic Planning and Standards Committee which will hold further hearings.”

3. In addition to changing “will” to “may” in Number 5, please add the following sentence: “The committee will inform the student and the faculty person of the results of its committee decision.”

4. Number 6 “Further appeal should be to the governing board” should be deleted.

Dr. Bateman to speak on effects of college stress

Dr. Mildred Bateman, professor and Psychology Department chair, will be the guest speaker for a seminar at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, in Buskirk Hall Lobby. Her topic will be “The Stress of College Environment and the Maintenance of Physical and Mental Health.”

Areas of discussion include physical and emotional fitness and expectation in young adulthood, which include growth and development, personal hygiene, and coping with stress. Subjects such as alcohol, smoking, fatigue, emotional experiences and exceptional adaptations.

Also to be discussed is the impact of social interactions and physical and mental health, including developing personal identity in the areas of social relationships and sexual roles, and social interactions in the college environment.

The public is invited, and faculty members are asked to bring the seminar to their classes. Refreshments will be served. The seminar is sponsored by the Minority Students Office.

NEH applicants named

Marshall University designated Dr. John McKenan, associate professor of English, and Dr. C. Robert Barnett, associate professor of health, physical education and recreation, as nominee applicants for the Summer Stipend 1981 competition of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Paul D. Stewart, Dean
Graduate School

Firms donate $6,000

Two Huntington firms have contributed a total of $6,000 to the Marshall University Foundation this week. Foundation Executive Director Bernard Queen announced today.

Security Bank President Robert Beymer presented a $4,000 gift in behalf of the bank, Queen said, and Plant Manager Frank Pulcrano of Amcar Division of ACF Industries, Inc., presented a $2,000 contribution.

Both gifts were designated for the University’s Greatest Needs account, Queen said.

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CORRECTION

Dolores Cook was incorrectly identified in last week’s News Letter in a story about the selection of officers of the new Staff Council. Mrs. Cook, who was elected vice chairperson of the Staff Council, is assistant professor, Center II for the College of Liberal Arts, not admissions clerk and records officer as listed in the story.