

Minutes of the Undergraduate Council
Monday, December 2, 2002
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April Summitt, chair; Lynelle Weldon, secretary,
Delmar Davis, Doug Jones, Pat Mutch, Merlene
Ogden, Laun Reinholtz, Bill Richardson, Brad
Sheppard, Charles Tidwell, Patrick Williams

**VOTING MEMBERS
PRESENT**

Emilio Garcia-Marenko, Randy Graves, Gary
Williams, Susan Zork

**NON-VOTING
MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lynelle Weldon

PRAYER

The minutes for Nov. 4, 2002 were reviewed but not
voted due to a lack of quorum. One correction: Charles
Tidwell was also present.

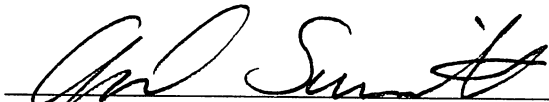
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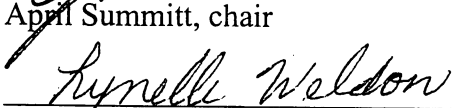
The council voted (quorum completed by email ballot)
to approve the proposal by the Behavioral Sciences
Department to add a BA degree in Psychology (see
attached).

B.A. PSYCHOLOGY

The council returned the proposal of a sliding scale for
admissions to the subcommittee. There was a request
for data to justify using such a scale if it is to be
considered..

**ADMISSIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE
PROPOSAL**



April Summitt, chair


Lynelle Weldon, secretary

PROPOSED BA IN PSYCHOLOGY

BA: Psychology - 31

(21 credits must be selected from courses numbered 300 or above)

Introduction - 3

PSYC101

Developmental - 3

PSYC220 (or other developmental course)

Professional Convention - 1

PSYC438 Workshop: Midwestern Psychological Convention (or an equivalent professional convention)

Methodology - 9

PSYC432, 433, 434

Content Courses (Groups A, B, C) -15

A total minimum of five courses from Group A & B.

Group A (a minimum of 2 courses from this group)

PSYC364, 449, 465, 471, 4XX (Cognitive Psych)

Group B (a minimum of 2 courses from this group)

PSYC2XX (Hist & Sys), 450, 454, 460

Required Cognates - 19- 25

BHSC230; BIOL111, 112 or BIOL165,166; PHIL224; RELT340; SOCI119 or ANTH200; One sociocultural awareness class or experience (may be met by taking: BHSC235; ANTH200, SOCI425, BHSC440:Cultural Psychology, an international tour via Andrews, student missionary experience, or attending Adventist Colleges Abroad)

Recommended: Field Experience

Put in section on Major Field Test - same as BS.

Reasons for proposed BA in psychology:

- 1) It was in the department a number of years ago and tended to attract 4-6+ majors, beyond the BS.**
- 2) There are no new courses being added to create the BA. It is essentially the same as the BS, with Group C classes being deducted from the requirements.**
- 3) It has had appeal to those students who want to double major in psychology and another BA major. Traditionally, taking a BS in psychology has inflated the number of credits they need to graduate.**
- 4) Being bilingual is a real benefit for those doing psychology. This opens up the possibility of doing a BA and getting the language requirements in that way.**
- 5) Psychology is one of those few majors which are offered both as a BS and a BA (or both) by other psychology departments around the country. It is one of those majors that can be argued that it is both a science and art.**

**Agenda
Undergraduate Council
December 2, 2002**

- 1. Prayer**
- 2. Approval of November Minutes**
- 3. Proposal for a BA in Psychology – Herbert Helm**
- 4. Report – Retention Committee work on Undeclared Students**
- 5. Update on Timely Completion of Degrees and Academic Integrity**
- 6. DISCUSSION: Admissions**
 - a. History:**
 - i. 1995-96: gpa of 2.7 or 2.5 with 35th % act/sat, plus 13 units of solids**
 - ii. 2000-01: gpa of 2.25 and 50th% act/sat, plus 13 units of solids. These standards are in the current bulletin, although not applied in practice.**
 - iii. Previous recommendations by UGC, but not yet voted or added to bulletin: ACT/SAT of 50th% and minimum gpa of 2.25, and two college-preparatory math courses. Drops 13 solids.**
 - b. Current Proposal by Subcommittee:**
 - i. Continue using percentiles and adjust actual scores each year**
 - ii. Continue requiring two college-bound math courses**
 - iii. Sliding Scale:**

<u>GPA</u>	<u>ACT/SAT%</u>
2.75	33
2.50	40
2.25	50
- 7. Other Business**
- 8. Next Meeting: February 3, 2003**