Faculty Senate Action Item

Date: 9 February 2009

Number: 09-07

Subject: Transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework

Description:

No catalogue language currently exists on the University’s policy concerning the transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework. The Academic Affairs Committee discussed the need to implement such a program to maintain competitiveness (all the Board of Regents schools have policies about accepting IB coursework) and the necessity to ensure that transfer credits were coordinated with individual departments. It was moved and passed unanimously that the committee approved of the transfer arrangement and now the ACC is asking the Senate to approve the measure.

International Baccalaureate Transfer Credit

The proposed language will be inserted after A. National Examinations, 1. College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB), pp. 59-60 of the 2009-2010 Catalog, as 2. The subsequent College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and University Departmental Exams (p. 60) will accordingly be renumbered as 3 and 4, respectively.

2. International Baccalaureate Transfer Credit

Washburn University recognizes the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. Students should seek information and obtain registration materials through appropriate high-school counselors or other secondary-school officials. The program is designed for high-school juniors and seniors planning to enter college and is administered in conjunction with International Baccalaureate courses taught in the high schools.

At the time of enrollment in the University, official transcripts should be forwarded to the University Registrar in order to receive appropriate credit. Credit is awarded on a course-by-course basis by academic departments depending on departmental policy and the examination scores achieved. No entry is made on the college transcript for scores which are lower than those determined to be satisfactory by the Washburn academic departments.

Requested action: Faculty Senate approval

Originated by: Tom Prasch, Chair of Academic Affairs Committee in fulfillment of requested action by Nancy Tate, Asst. VPAA