University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction Year End Report 2003-2004

This report is being submitted on behalf of the membership of UCUI: Susan Awbrey (Chair), Kris Condic, Carole Crum, Moira Fracassa, Lynn Hockenberger, Alice Horning, Barbara Oakley, Barbara Penprase, Stafford Rorke, Steve Shablin, Mary Stein, Ron Tracy, and guest member Irene Fox

UCUI had a very busy and productive schedule during 2003-2004. Committee members worked diligently during regularly scheduled meetings, during special meetings, via e-mail and reviewing materials prior to UCUI meetings. Members are to be commended for their tireless efforts on behalf of the university.

The committee's major accomplishments occurred in five areas.

- 1. Program Reviews:
 - Four programs were reviewed by UCUI:
 - i. Self-studies and where applicable the reports of external reviewers were reviewed
 - ii. Discussions were held with the academic units
 - iii. Written reports were provided to the heads of the programs
 - Programs reviewed included: Health Sciences, Sociology, Anthropology, and Medical Laboratory Sciences
- 2. New Programs and Program Changes
 - New Programs: A proposal was reviewed for a new baccalaureate in Information Technology
 - i. Proposed changes to the proposal were discussed with Dr. Sethi
 - ii. A revised proposal was sent to Senate Steering Committee with a positive recommendation from UCUI
 - Program Revisions: The following program revisions were reviewed and changes were suggested to the academic units by UCUI
 - i. Double major: Wellness & Health Promotion and Psychology
 - ii. RN to MSN
 - iii. BSN Second Degree
 - iv. BS in Economics
 - v. Change in title of Industrial Health and Safety to Occupational Safety and Health
 - General Education
 - i. The proposal for renewal of general education was reviewed and supported by UCUI

- 3. Student Petitions
 - Twenty student petitions for courses to meet the Ethnic Diversity Requirement were reviewed by the committee. One petition for writing proficiency was also processed. Listings of the petitions with outcomes is attached.
- 4. General Items
 - A resolution was taken to the University Senate from UCUI on behalf of the Rhetoric faculty and the Professional Advising Council stating that students who hold a degree from a regionally accredited university and who are pursuing a second degree at Oakland University should be exempt from OU's writing requirement. Senate passed the resolution.
 - A resolution was taken to the University Senate from UCUI stating that 100 and 200 level courses can not count for 300 and 400 level credit at OU. Senate passed the resolution.
 - Standard language for web courses was developed by UCUI. The suggested language was approved by Senate Steering Committee and Graduate Council.
 - At the request of the Financial Aid office UCUI reviewed programs in SHS, STEP, and Music Education to determine whether there was consistency between the number of credits listed in the undergraduate catalog and the number of credits actually required of students. The reviews indicated that numbers for the programs are consistent.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Awbrey, May 26, 2004

2 Attachments