

FACULTY SENATE Est. 1991

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Agenda April 16, 2009

The Faculty Senate will meet on Thursday, April 16, 2009 in the **POWELL HALL AUDITORIUM** at 3:30 p.m.

Items in **bold print** are items that require action by the Faculty Senate. Other items are for information only.

Special Request: At the request of the Senate's Executive Committee, any actions sent to the Executive Secretary for possible inclusion in the Senate agenda should be accompanied by a written document with the rationale and purpose of the decision. The Executive Committee requests that these documents be submitted via email as Word.doc attachments.

1. Call to Order by Dr. Patrick J. Schloss
For the benefit of record keeping, senators and visitors will please identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. Please use the microphones to assist with accurate recording. All senators must sign the roster in order to be counted present
2. **Approval of the minutes of the March 26, 2009 meeting of the Faculty Senate.**
http://www.valdosta.edu/facsen/meeting/minutes/documents/Senate_Minutes2009-03-26.pdf
3. New business
 - a. **Report from the Academic Committee – Louis Levy llevy@valdosta.edu**
See **Attachment A** for Minutes of February 16, 2009 Academic Committee meeting.
 - b. Report from the Committee on Committees – Steven Kohn sjkohn@valdosta.edu
 - c. Report from the Institutional Planning Committee – Vesta Whisler
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 - d. Report from the Faculty Affairs Committee – Ruth Renee Hannibal
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 - e. Report from the Faculty Grievance Committee – Theresa Thompson
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 - f. Report from the Senate Executive Secretary – Jay Rickman bjrickma@valdosta.edu
1. **Report from Educational Policies Committee Chair Michael Elliott melliott@valdosta.edu.** The EPC submits the following to the Senate for consideration.

Change the number of credit hours for which a student can register without approval from the current number (19) to 17, at least until we formulate a limited withdrawal policy. Motion was made to reduce the number of credit hours from 19 to 17, with the maximum load for which approval may be given to remain at 21. The language of the policy would also otherwise remain unaltered. (The current policy is delineated on page 42 of the VSU Student Handbook, Volume 2: http://www.valdosta.edu/studentaffairs/documents/SAF_Student_Handbook_08_FINAL.pdf.)

2. President Schloss would like the Senate to review VSU's policies and procedures regarding Academic Dishonesty to determine if VSU should create a faculty committee to hear student complaints when a student is sanctioned because of academic misconduct. Remand to Educational Policies Committee for study during the 2009-2010 academic year, but as soon as possible, the EPC should meet with the President and the Provost to hear their concerns with the current process. The EPC should also consult Dean Russ Mast and Assistant Dean Richard Lee because of their involvement in adjudicating student misconduct issues. The EPC should also consult Dr. James LaPlant, a former senator who was very involved in the Senate's most recent efforts to revise VSU's Academic Honesty policies and procedures. Dr. Sheri Gravett would be another excellent person for the committee to consult.

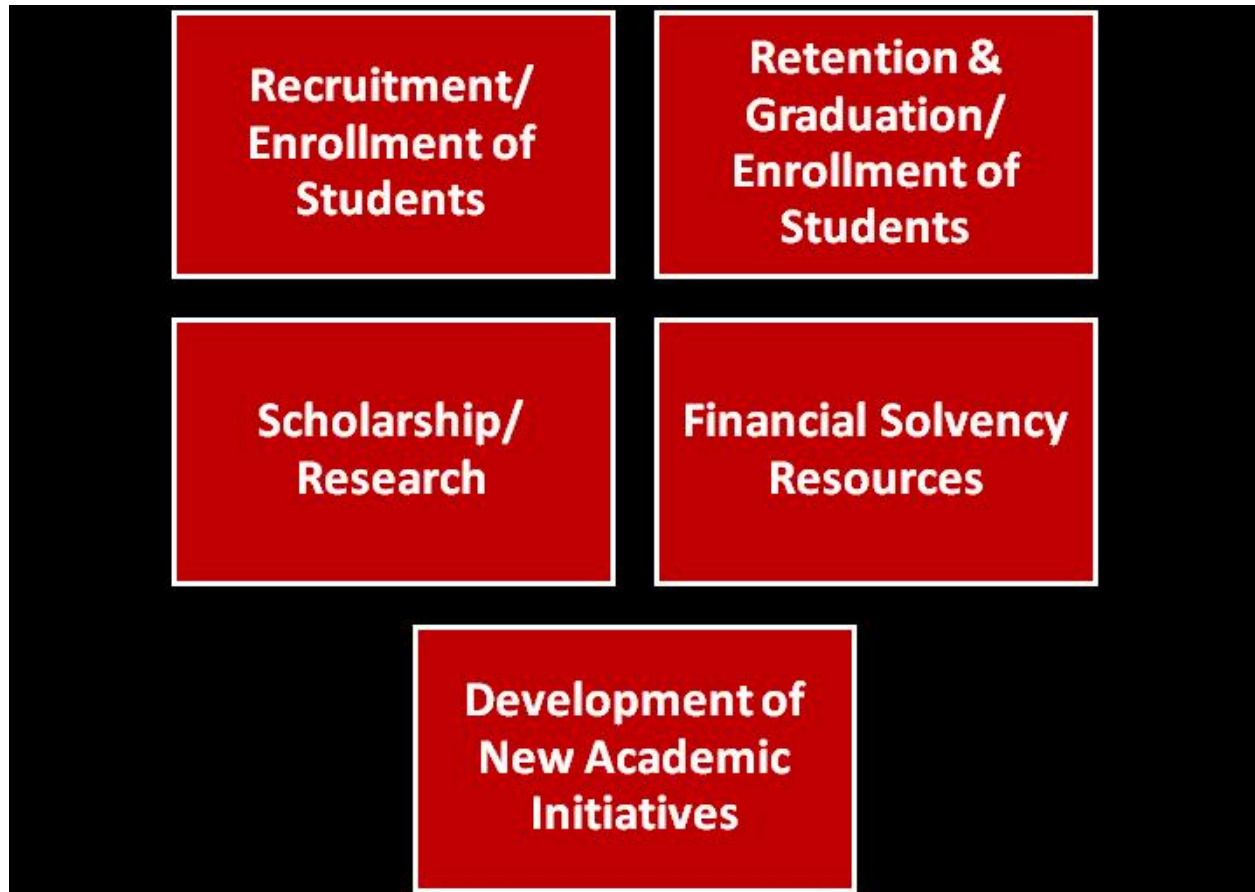
The following materials should also be useful for the EPC as it begins its review. <http://www.valdosta.edu/academic/AcademicHonestyPoliciesandProcedures.shtml>
<http://www.valdosta.edu/academic/AcademicDishonesty.shtml>
<http://www.valdosta.edu/academic/GradeAppeals.shtml>
<http://www.valdosta.edu/gradschool/documents/VSUFinalCourseGradeAppealForrev2.doc>
http://www.valdosta.edu/studentaffairs/documents/Student_Handbook_09.pdf especially section on Student Code of Conduct, p.60-61.

3. Presentation on Strategic Focus 2010 by Dr. Kristina Cragg, Assistant to the President for Strategic Research & Analysis, kmccragg@valdosta.edu. Dr. Cragg will present to the Senate the results of the April 3 open forum on the Strategic Focus 2010 Initiative to generate three to five standards for use in the strategic planning process during 2009-2010.

Valdosta State University's revised budget model calls for us to focus clearly on our strategic priorities. In the past budget cycles, we have often distributed a substantial amount of money to wide-ranging, but routine projects (e.g., repairing roofs, procuring instructional technology, enabling transportation). The revised process will remove these routine items (and the typical budgetary support for them) from the strategic funding pool. Instead the appropriate divisions will be expected to establish and efficiently manage these routine projects and their associated funds. Because of the limited amount of funds for (non-routine) strategic priorities, we have identified a preliminary set of standards against which proposals can be evaluated. The standards are those elements that, when achieved, will advance Valdosta State University to an increased position of excellence. Below are the accepted preliminary standards that will be used to develop a rubric for evaluating strategic funding initiatives.

To view results <http://www.valdosta.edu/sra/documents/StrategicFocus2010Results.pdf>

To view Dr. Cragg's presentation
<http://www.valdosta.edu/sra/documents/StrategicFocusPresented4309.pdf>



4. Presentation on the new DegreeWorks advising software by Ms. Alicia Roberson, Academic Advisor for the Student Success Center, aroberson@valdosta.edu.

5. Presentation on the new Shared Services payroll system (starts July 1, 2009) by Ms. Traycee Martin, Interim Vice President for Finance & Administration and Director for Financial Services, tmartin@valdosta.edu and Dr. Denise Bogart, Director of Human Resources & Employee Development, dbogart@valdosta.edu.

6. **Standing Committee Chairs:** Please begin to schedule meetings to prepare the Yearly Reports of the 11 Faculty Senate Standing Committees. If you would like to review what your committee's report looked like last year, please see the attachments in the Minutes of the Faculty Senate's May 15, 2008 meeting: <http://www.valdosta.edu/faesen/meeting/minutes/documents/MinutesMay152008.pdf>

Committee reports should be sent to Jay Rickman bjrickma@valdosta.edu in Word .doc or .docx format by **April 23, 2009** so that each committee report can be

reviewed by the Executive Committee at its May 7, 2009 meeting, prior to the May 21, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting.

At the May 21, 2009 Senate meeting, each standing committee chair should be prepared to make a brief oral summary report for the Senate.

Academic Scheduling & Procedures: John Elder. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Academic Honors & Scholarships: Nanci Scheetz. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Athletics: Scot Raab. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Educational Policies: Michael Elliott. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Environmental Issues: Brad Bergstrom. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Faculty Development and Research: Karin Murray/Jennifer Lambert-Shute. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Library Affairs: Charles Talor. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Minority & Diversity Issues: Mark Kiyek. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Student Activities: Gina Doepker. This committee was reviewed & revised with help from Vice President Kurt Keppler in 2006-2007. It was renewed in May 2007 and will be reviewed again Spring 2010. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Student Services: Luis Bejarano. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Technology: Mary Gorham-Rowan. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

7. Old Business

8. Discussion

9. Adjournment

ATTACHMENT A:

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 16, 2009

The Academic Committee of the Valdosta State University Faculty Senate met in the University Center Rose Room on Monday, February 16, 2009. Dr. Sharon Gravett, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, presided. Members Present: Dr. Lai Orenduff, Dr. Marvin Smith, Dr. Bruce Caster, Dr. Lucia Lu, Dr. Melissa Benton (proxy for Dr. Selen Lauterbach), Mr. Alan Bernstein, Dr. William Faux, Mr. Mike Savoie, Dr. Kathe Lowney, Dr. Frank Flaherty, Dr. James Ernest, Dr. Iris Ellis, Dr. Frank Flaherty (proxy for Dr. Deborah Weaver), and Ms. Deborah VanPetten. Members Absent: Dr. Ray Elson, Dr. Bill Buchanan, Dr. James Humphrey, Dr. Deborah Weaver, and Dr. Diane Holliman. Visitors Present: Dr. Ellen Wiley, Dr. Thomas Manning, Dr. Chunlei Liu, Dr. Robert Bauer, Dr. Phil Gunter, Dr. Reynaldo Martinez, Dr. James Shrader, Dr. Karla Hull, Dr. Edward Chatelain, and Mr. Lee Bradley. The Minutes of the January 26, 2009, Academic Committee meeting were approved with the correction to the course title in item D-28. (pages 1-4).

A. College of Nursing

1. Revised graduate catalog narrative and degree requirements for the MSN in Nursing was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 5-16).

B. College of Business

1. Letter of Intent for a BBA in International Business was approved/noted. (pages 17-19).

2. Letter of Intent for a Master of Accountancy degree was approved/noted. (pages 20-22).

C. College of the Arts

1. Revised undergraduate catalog narrative for the College of the Arts was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (Pages 23-27).

2. Revised graduate catalog narrative for the College of the Arts was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (Pages 28-32). Pending approval of the Graduate Executive Committee.

3. New course, Art History (ARTH) 4170, "Prehistoric through Historic Native American Art", (PREHIST/HIST NATIVE AM ART – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...Study of art of Prehistoric through Historic era Native North American cultures. Arts traditions will be examined of the.. (pages 33-37).

4. New course, Art History (ARTH) 4180, "Modern/Contemporary Native American Art", (MOD/CONT NATIVE AM ART – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...Study of art of Modern and Contemporary... (pages 38-42).

5. Revised credit hours and description, Music (MUSC) 3810, "Chamber Singers", (CHAMBER SINGERS – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 5 lab hours, and 5 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...Music. This select ensemble emphasizes... the last sentence was changed to the read "Successful audition required" and moved to the beginning as the prerequisite. (pages 43-45).

6. Revised course description, Music (MUSC) 3820, "Concert Choir", (CONCERT CHOIR – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 3 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...Music. The course is open to... (pages 46-48).

7. Revised undergraduate catalog narrative for the Department of Music was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 49-51).

8. Course number correction for COMM 7100, 7200, 7150, 7300, MDIA 7800, 7600, and 7700 was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Deactivation of COMM 5100, 5200, 6100, 6300, MDIA 6800, 6600, and 6700. (pages 52-56).

D. College of Arts and Sciences

1. Revised credit hours, Chemistry (CHEM) 3320, “Environmental Chemistry”, (ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 3 lab hours, and 5 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009. (pages 57-59).

2. Revised credit hours, Chemistry (CHEM) 5320, “Environmental Chemistry”, (ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 3 lab hours, and 5 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009. (pages 60-62).

3. Revised course description, Computer Science (CS) 4321, “Software Engineering I”, (SOFTWARE ENGINEERING I – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...better. Concepts and... . (pages 63-66).

4. Revised course description, Computer Science (CS) 4322, “Software Engineering II”, (SOFTWARE ENGINEERING II – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...better. Advanced topics in software engineering, such as analysis, design, architecture, testing, and maintenance. (pages 67-70).

5. Revised course description, Computer Science (CS) 4340, “Systems Programming”, (SYSTEMS PROGRAMMING – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 71-74).

6. Revised course hours, Geography (GEOG) 3120, “Geosciences Field Trip”, (GEOSCIENCES FIELD TRIP – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 4 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009. Pages (75-78).

7. Revised course hours, Geology (GEOL) 3120, “Geosciences Field Trip”, (GEOSCIENCES FIELD TRIP – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 4 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009. Pages (79-82).

8. Revised graduate catalog narrative for the MS in Criminal Justice was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Pages 83-89).

9. Revised graduate catalog narrative for the MS in Sociology was TABLED. (pages 90-95)

E. College of Education

1. Revised graduate catalog narrative for the endorsement for Talented and Gifted was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 96-98).

2. Revised graduate catalog narrative for the MS in Psychology – track Clinical Psychology and track Industrial/Organizational Psychology was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 99-108).

3. Revised requirements for the EDD in Adult and Career Education was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 109-112).

4. Revised requirements for the EDD in Curriculum and Instruction was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 113-116).

5. Revised requirements for the EDD in Leadership was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 117-120).

6. Revised course title and description, Adult and Career Education (ACED) 9410, “Diverse Populations in Adult and Career Education”, (DIVERSE POPULATIONS – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Pages (121-123).

7. Revised course description, Curriculum and Instruction (CIED) 9410, “Curricular and Instructional Design and Development”, (C&I DESIGN & DEVELOP – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was

approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the course description changed to read ...setting. The course includes...
. Pages (124-126).

8. Revised course number and description, Education Leadership (LEAD) 9040, "School Organizational and Cultural Studies", (SCH ORGNZTNL/CULTRL STUDIES – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Pages (127-129). Deactivation of LEAD 9870.

9. Revised course title and description, Research (RSCH) 9800, "Research Design and Foundations for Advanced Quantitative, Qualitative, and Mixed Methods Research", (RSCH DESIGN AND FOUNDATIONS – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with "An overview of" removed from the beginning of the first line, and the last sentence changed to read ...course is a foundation for all other... . Pages (130-132).

10. Revised course description, Research (RSCH) 9870, "Dissertation Topic Conceptualization", (DISSERTATION TOPIC CONCPTRLZTN – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Pages (133-135).

11. Revised course number, title and description, Education Leadership (LEAD) 9999, "Dissertation in Leadership", (DISS IN LEADERSHIP – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. Pages (127-129). Deactivation of RSCH 9999.

Respectfully submitted, Stanley Jones Interim Registrar