

UNH FACULTY SENATE  
MOTION # XIII-M1

Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement


1. Motion presenter: Bill Stine
2. Date of Faculty Senate discussion: 9/8/08
3. Rationale:

Although a supposedly binding rule exists that the foreign language proficiency requirement for Bachelor of Arts candidates must be met by the end of a student's sophomore year, about one third of the students may not be in compliance, according to enrollment patterns in American Sign Language and in the Languages, Literatures and Cultures Department courses. [See item III of 4/3/06 Faculty Senate minutes with motion X-M5, item IX of the 5/17/07 Agenda Committee minutes, and 10/21/07 email from Bill Stine with enclosure from Kathie Forbes.]

4. Motion:

During freshman student orientation, the UNH Academic Achievement and Support Services should emphasize the rule that the foreign language proficiency requirement for Bachelor of Arts candidates should be met by the end of a student's sophomore year

5. Senate action: passed; approved by all ayes except for one nay and four abstentions.

Senate chair's signature: 

Forwarded to: President Mark Huddleston, on September 23, 2008

Forwarded to: Provost Bruce Mallory, on September 23, 2008

Forwarded to: Associate Provost Judith Spiller, on September 23, 2008

Forwarded to: Andy Colby, Associate Director of Advising and Career Center, on September 23, 2008

Forwarded to: academic department chairs, on September 23, 2008