

UNH FACULTY SENATE
MOTION # XV-M11

on Discovery Program exemptions

1. Motion presenter: Barbara White

2. Date of Faculty Senate discussion: 5/2/2011

3. Rationale: Barbara White, who is the chair of the senate's Discovery Committee, presented a draft document on the Discovery Program Requirements, Academic Policy and Guidelines. Two of the changes on Discovery Program exemptions recommended by the Discovery Committee will require a senate vote, as indicated by the "(fs)" designation.

4. Motion: **The first change, in the draft document on the Discovery Program Requirements, Academic Policy and Guidelines, is a note to faculty in item 5.31(fs) which should read as follows: "05.31(fs) Waiver of requirements in a prescribed curriculum. The requirement of a given course in any prescribed curriculum may be waived by the faculty of the student's college. The student's petition must be approved by his or her major adviser and the dean of his or her college. Note to Faculty: Waiver of requirements in the Discovery Program. Students may petition the Discovery Committee in order to waive or replace a requirement. The student's petition must be approved by his or her major advisor and the dean of his or her college." The second change requiring a senate vote is item 5.33(fs), part 3, which should read as follows: "3. TSAS courses may not be used for general education (1984-2009), writing intensive, or foreign language requirements. Only TSAS courses that are at 400-600 level and Discovery approved may count for Discovery requirements." On behalf of the Discovery Committee, Barbara White moved that the Faculty Senate approve the proposed wording of items 5.31 and part 3 of item 5.33 of the Discovery Program Requirements, Academic Policy and Guidelines. These changes should also be reflected in the undergraduate catalog and the "Student Rights, Rules and Responsibilities" document.**

5. Senate action: passed unanimously.

6. Senate chair's signature: Edmond K. Heiser

Forwarded to: President Mark Huddleston, on, May 10, 2011

Forwarded to: Provost John Aber, on May 10, 2011

Forwarded to: Lisa MacFarlane, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, May 10, 2011

Forwarded to: Kathryn Forbes, Registrar, on May 10, 2011