

### **MEMORANDUM**



TO:

President Edward T. Foote II

FROM:

Kamal Yacoub Kamaf Tacoub

Chair, Faculty Senate

DATE:

March 6, 1996

SUBJECT:

Faculty Senate Legislation #95006(B) -

Renaming of the Bachelor of General Studies Degree

The Faculty Senate, at its meeting of February 26, 1996, voted to approve the renaming of the Bachelor of General Studies Degree to the Bachelor of Liberal Arts Degree (#95006(B).

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

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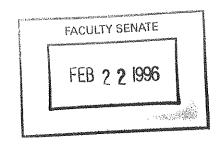
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CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #95006(B) - Renaming Bachelor of General Studies Degree to Bachelor of Liberal Arts Degree

RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT:	DATE: 3/17/9/
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OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT OR PUBLISH:_	Provo
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NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO:	
REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):	





Office of the Dean

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Kamal Yacoub, Chair

Faculty Senate

FROM:

Ross C Murfin

Dean

DATE:

February 22, 1996

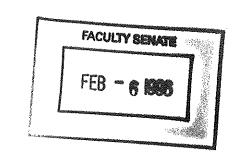
SUBJECT:

Faculty Senate Meeting of February 26, 1996

REFERENCE:

Your Memorandum of February 20, 1996

As it turns out, I will be out of town on Monday, February 26th, so Associate Dean Paul-Blaney will attend the meeting of the Faculty Senate that is scheduled for that day. He will address the issue of renaming the Bachelor of General Studies Degree and is prepared to answer any questions.



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**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES** 

Office of the Dean

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TO:

Kamal Yacoub, Chairman

Faculty Senate and Government

FROM:

Ross C Murfin

Dean

DATE:

February 5, 1996

SUBJECT:

Bachelor of Liberal Studies

REFERENCE:

Paul Blaney's memo of January 17, 19986

Per Dean Blaney's memo of January 17, 1996, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences voted unanimously to rename the *Bachelor of General Studies* the *Bachelor of Liberal Arts*. This is a formal request for the Faculty Senate to consider the name change at its meeting of February 26, 1996.

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January 17, 1996

TO:

Dr. Kamal Yacoub

Chairman, Faculty Senate

FROM:

Paul H. Blaney, Associate Dean

College of Arts and Sciences

SUBJ:

Bachelor of Liberal Arts

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TO:

Dr. Kamal Yacoub, President

Faculty Senate

FROM:

Carol D. Holden, Dean

School of Continuing Studies

DATE:

January 16, 1996

SUBJECT:

Change of Name for BCS Degree

The Faculty Council of the School of Continuing Studies and I request a change of name for our undergraduate degree, the Bachelor of Continuing Studies. Reactivated in 1989 with a design more responsive to the adult learner, the Bachelor of Continuing Studies has tapped a market of adult students that we most likely would have lost to Barry or St. Thomas. Since 1989, we have enrolled more than two hundred students and have steadily graduated students.

We are now proposing a change of name for the degree from Bachelor of Continuing Studies to Bachelor of General Studies. We have been working with the College of Arts and Sciences for over a year to explore this name change and to coordinate a smooth transition as we rename our degree and they rename their Bachelor of General Studies degree. In conjunction with this memo, you should receive a similar memo from Dean Ross Murfin. The proposed change has been approved by all pertinent governing bodies within both the School of Continuing Studies and the College of Arts and Sciences. On behalf of our Faculty School Council, I respectfully request an approval for this name change.

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Professor Carl McKenry, SCS Faculty Council Senator Dean Ross Murfin, College of Arts and Sciences Provost Luis Glaser

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Coral Gables, Florida 33124-1610
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TO:

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FROM:

Marcy Ullom

Associate Dean, School of Continuing Studies

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- 4. Upon notification of your acceptance into the Bachelor of Continuing Studies program, meet with an advisor from the Adult Student Assistance Program to review distribution requirements, acceptance of transfer credit (where applicable), and the schedule of course offerings.
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- The University does not accept transfer credit for courses in which a grade of "D" (or the equivalent) was earned.
- Credits are not transferable from institutions that are not accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting association.
- Credits transferred from institutions not in existence long enough for regional accreditation must be validated by course work taken at the University of Miami.
- The last 45 credits applicable to meeting graduation requirements must be taken in residence at the University of Miami.

# Degree Requirements for the **Bachelor of Continuing Studies**

# A. Distribution Requirements: 54 - 60 credits

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# 3) Mathematics and Computer Science 6.9 credits

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Degree candidates must earn 6 credits in a two-semester history survey sequence. In addition, students must earn 9 credits in at least two of the following disciplines: Anthropology; Communication; Economics; Geography; Politics and Public Affairs; Psychology; or Sociology.

# **Natural Sciences** 6 credits

This requirement may be fulfilled with non-laboratory courses.

## 6) Humanities 21 credits

Required courses are noted. Other listed courses are recommendations, but students may select alternative courses outlined in the Undergraduate Bulletin to fulfill the additional 9 credits in Humanities.

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REL 360, Religion and Bioethics

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- (1) Ideas and Inquiry
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Every candidate for a degree must select an Area of Concentration. The candidate designs an Area of Concentration that meets his/her professional and personal goals. The program must meet final approval with a selected faculty member and the Director of the program.

# D. Electives 15 credits

Students choose elective courses in consultation with their advisor to meet the 120 credit graduation requirement.

TOTAL: 120 credits

### Course Load

Since the Bachelor of Continuing Studies is designed for adults with varied responsibilities who wish to pursue a degree part-time, students may carry no more than 9 credit hours per semester. Course selections for InterSession or other Special Academic Programs may be made in addition to the 9-credit semester limit.

<sup>\*</sup>One of these 6 courses must be taken to meet the Literature requirement.

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Requirements for Graduation

Candidates for the Bachelor's degree must complete 120 credits hours for graduation. Of the total requirement, 45 hours must be at the Junior and Senior levels (300 or higher).

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Every student must take 4 (W) writingoriented courses.

The last 45 credit hours must be earned in residence at the University of Miami.

# **Placement Exams and Credit Granted Toward Graduation**

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### HONOR SOCIETIES

### PHI BETA KAPPA

Phi Beta Kappa, founded 1776, is the oldest scholastic honorary society in the United States. Its purpose is to encourage and reward excellence in liberal studies. Election to Delta Chapter of Florida is based on scholastic standing as well as on the breadth and rigor of the academic program. It is open to candidates for the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Science. Inquiries concerning the requirements for eligibility should be directed to: The Secretary of Phi Beta Kappa, Office of the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences.

### DEPARTMENTAL HONORS AFFILIATIONS

Students of the College of Arts and Sciences are also eligible for participation in a number of societies designed to promote scholarship and recognize excellence in a particular field of interest.

Alpha Epsilon Delta (Premedical Studies)

Alpha Epsilon Rho (Film and Related Areas)

Alpha Psi Omega (Drama)

Beta Beta Beta (Biological Sciences)

Chemistry Honor Society (Chemical Sciences)

Delta Phi Alpha (German)

Gamma Theta Upsilon (Geography)

Phi Sigma Tau (Philosophy)

Pi Delta Phi (French)

Pi Mu Epsilon (Mathematics)

Psl Chi (Psychology)

Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish)

Sigma Tau Delta (English)

### PRIVILEGED STUDIES

As one of several means of recognizing and solving problems of talented students, the College of Arts and Sciences of the University of Miami in 1966 altered its requirements to permit qualified students to earn the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science without the necessity of completing the conventional required courses in a variety of studies.

For a description of the program and its requirements refer to the section on HONORS PROGRAMS.

### PRELEGAL PROGRAMS

The American Association of Law Schools proposes no specific curriculum as preparation for law school but recommends that students have a superior command of English and be well-grounded in the traditional disciplines. Many students at the University of Miami acquire excellent preparation for law school by majoring in the social sciences or the humanities, in such fields as Communication, Economics, English, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology.

There is a committee within the College of Arts and Sciences, the Prelegal Advisory Committee, which advises students who wish to prepare for law school. Interested students should register with the Committee, through the Center for Student Academic Services of the College of Arts and Sciences.

### PREMEDICAL AND PREDENTAL CURRICULA

The Committee on Premedical Studies, located in the College of Arts and Sciences, assists students who plan to enter medical, dental, or allied professions. It coordinates guidance, counseling, and the preparation of evaluations of students

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As part of his individual study option the student will be required to complete a research paper or creative project related to that study.

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