The purpose of this memo is to provide a brief explanation of the minutes approved in the October 2007 meeting of the College of Liberal Arts Curriculum and Policy Committee.

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES
The home department for this new course is history.

GENDER STUDIES
The home department for this new course is history.

HISTORY
This new course will provide a needed course in African American gender relations in the Department of History and will provide additional support for the African American Studies and the Gender Studies programs.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
The new course will allow easier monitoring and enforcement of the oral proficiency interview graduation requirement for international studies majors.

JOURNALISM
The proposed change in total minimum hours outside the major reflects accreditation requirements.

LIBERAL ARTS
The Department of Journalism proposes to eliminate the JOUR 101 option to satisfy the social science requirement for the B.A. degree.

MODERN LANGUAGES
The new LING 319 course will be a cross listing to an existing course in philosophy.

The change in LING 508 reflects the change proposed by the Department of Philosophy and Religion. While there is not a graduate program in linguistics, other graduate students in the Department of Modern Languages will benefit from this course.

PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION
The title and description revision to PHIL 319 will more accurately reflect the current course content.
The change of PHIL 508 to PHIL 655 will reserve this logic course for graduate students only. The revised PHIL 319 will be the advanced logic course for undergraduate students.

The proposed change in the philosophy major adds two upper division courses that the department’s assessment results indicated the need to be strengthened. These upper division courses also will better prepare students for graduate school in the discipline. To compensate for the additional requirements, two lower level courses will no longer be required.

POLITICAL SCIENCE
The home department for this new course is Public Policy Leadership.

PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP
This new course will be required for students taking part in the Washington Internship Experience coordinated by Outreach. The department will appoint Dr. Joel Clark as an Adjunct Assistant Professor to teach the course and oversee the internship placement.

The requirements for the major and minor in Public Policy Leadership are built around a foundation of courses (PPL 101, 210, and 212) and advanced hours of public policy courses.