memorandum

29 March 2004

To: Executive Committee
   Faculty Senate

From: Richard K. Curry, Presiding Officer
       Core Curriculum Council

Re: Requests of Course Additions to the Core Curriculum

A. The Council recommends approval a request from SAPCC to allow the attached list of approved Spring 2004, Summer 2004 and Fall 2004 Special Topics 489 courses taught as part of TAMU faculty-led study abroad programs to count as International and Cultural Diversity courses. The Registrar will need to be informed of the special nature of these approvals.

   Attached List of Special Topics 489 Study Abroad Courses be added to satisfy International and Cultural Diversity requirements

B. The Council Curriculum unanimously voted to approve the following courses for inclusion on the list of courses in the Core Curriculum which satisfy the writing requirement. The CCC unanimously agreed with subcommittee recommendations that all aspects of the courses were consistent with guidelines for this Core Curriculum (graduation) requirement and, thus, justified the courses being included in the “W-designated course” category.

   Courses be added to satisfy writing requirements and included in the “W-designated course” category:
   - PETE 311 Reservoir Petrophysics
   - PETE 335 Technical Presentations
   - PETE 435 Technical Presentations

C. The Council unanimously voted to approve MODL 323 Immigration & Ethnicity in Contemporary France, and MODL 363 Borderlands: U.S. and Mexico submitted by the Department of Modern & Classical Languages for inclusion on the list of courses in the Core Curriculum which satisfy the requirement for International and Cultural Diversity. The CCC unanimously agreed that an exposure to and analysis of a non-U.S. culture as well as the study of contemporary concerns were central to the course’s content and character and appropriate to the spirit of the Core Curriculum and, thus, justified the course being included in the category.

   Courses be added to satisfy requirement for International and Cultural Diversity:
   - MODL 323 Immigration & Ethnicity in Contemporary France
   - MODL 363 Borderlands: U.S. and Mexico