

8 A BILL TO REVISE UW REGULATION 6-702  
9 "Establishment of Faculty Senate Committees"  
10 Section 14. University Studies Committee

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13 WHEREAS, the implementation of USP 2015 has created a need for an ongoing First  
14 Year Seminar Coordinator and a Communications Sequence Coordinator; and

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16 WHEREAS, the opinions and experience of holders of these two positions warrant  
17 sharing with the University Studies Committee; and

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19 WHEREAS, the opinions and experience of the University Studies Committee should  
20 be heard by the holders of these two positions; therefore,

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22 BE IT ENACTED by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming to amend  
23 UW Regulation 6-702 presented in the attached addenda.

***AUTHENTICATION:*** *The foregoing Senate Bill 332, duly adopted by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming under date of December 15, 2014, is hereby transmitted to the President of the University of Wyoming for review in accordance with UW Regulations.*

/s/  
Janet Dewey  
Secretary of the Faculty Senate

**Excerpt from  
UW REGULATION 6-702  
Establishment of Faculty Senate Committees**

**14. UNIVERSITY STUDIES COMMITTEE** (See also UW Regulation 6-407, “University Studies Program.”)

**a. Rationale**

The University Studies Program requires completion of specific requirements in identified areas of study in accordance with criteria approved by the University Faculty Senate. In cooperation with the Board of Trustees and academic administrators, the Faculty Senate is responsible for making decisions regarding curriculum.

**b. Functions**

The University Studies Committee shall:

(i.) Develop and maintain a planning, review, and assessment process for the University Studies Program;

(ii.) Define the philosophy, learning outcomes desired, and criteria for courses in the relevant areas of study, with Faculty Senate approval;

(iii.) Identify and approve courses for the Program;

( iv.) Consult with and advise academic departments concerning the needs and requirements of the Program;

(v.) Grant approval of alternative courses or pilot programs to fulfill University Studies requirements for a limited time;

( vi.) Appoint *ad hoc* sub-committees as needed to accomplish the goals of UW Regulation 6-407, 3.b.i.-v. and to select and review courses that meet the criteria approved by the Faculty Senate.

(vii.) Develop and maintain appropriate linkages with the Academic Planning Committee, the Faculty University Course Review Committee, and the Student Interaction Committee, with particular regard to new courses or modification of courses considered for approval as meeting requirements of the Program.

1 (viii.) Make reports and recommendations to the Faculty Senate as may be  
2 deemed appropriate or as requested.

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4 ( ix.) Consider and grant such waivers of requirements of the University  
5 Studies Program to petitioning students as warranted by unusual and  
6 extenuating circumstances, upon recommendation of the Coordinator (see  
7 UW Regulation 6-407, 4.b.).  
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9 **c. Composition**

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11 The committee shall consist of 11 voting members. Members of the  
12 University Studies Committee will include one academic personnel member  
13 from each of the undergraduate colleges, ~~and from the Libraries, one of the~~  
14 non-college academic units (e.g., the American Heritage Center or Honors  
15 Program), and the Outreach School, with the exception that the College of  
16 Arts and Sciences shall have two representatives. A student designated by  
17 the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming Senate  
18 shall be a member with vote. Each college or group will elect their own  
19 representatives, and these names will be forwarded to the Executive Committee  
20 of the Faculty Senate for approval. Faculty representatives shall serve  
21 staggered three-year terms. Ex officio members of the committee shall  
22 include: the First Year Seminar Coordinator and the  
23 Communications Coordinator; representatives from the offices of:  
24 the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Registrar, the  
25 Academic Planning Committee, the Deans' Council, Academic  
26 Advising, and the Wyoming community colleges. Ex officio  
27 members do not have a vote. Vice presidents, deans, associate and  
28 assistant deans, and directors shall not be eligible to serve on the committee.  
29 ~~A student designated by the Associated Students of the University of~~  
30 ~~Wyoming Senate shall be a member with vote, and the President, Provost and~~  
31 ~~Vice President for Academic Affairs, a representative from Student Affairs,~~  
32 ~~the Academic Planning Committee, the Dean's Council, Academic Advising,~~  
33 ~~and the Wyoming community colleges shall be ex officio members without~~  
34 ~~vote.~~

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36 The committee shall elect its chairperson. The Chair or his/her designee shall  
37 serve as an *ex officio* member of the University Course Review Committee.  
38 The University Studies coordinator shall serve as secretary of the committee  
39 and maintain a record of the minutes of meetings. The Executive  
40 Committee of the Faculty Senate shall fill temporary vacancies on the  
41 University Studies Committee.

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