

Dean Paraska was in attendance to answer questions concerning the granting of academic honors to graduates of two-year programs. After some discussion the committee unanimously passed item #2 as submitted; i.e., high honors to those individuals who have obtained a 3.7 average and honors for those individuals who have obtained a 3.4 average.

Dr. Ward was also present to explain the proposal submitted by the Department of Foreign Languages. This involved the proper placement of undergraduates in foreign language courses. The proposal:

1. The Modern Language Association National Standardized Examinations for placement in elementary and intermediate foreign language courses will be administered on a voluntary basis.
2. If a student does not elect to take a placement examination, he will be advised according to Form 100 issued by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures. If he elects to audit a course or complete a course for a grade which repeats work previously done, he will not receive credit hours toward graduation.
3. A student who takes a placement examination will be advised to enter course(s) on the basis of the examination results. If the course(s) he is advised to enter repeat(s) work previously taken, he will receive credit hours toward graduation provided the last grade received in the high school foreign language course was the equivalent of "C" or better. The student will, in no case, receive credit hours toward graduation for previous work in the courses preceding that course in which he is advised to enroll on the basis of his placement test score by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

A lengthy discussion ensued involving mandatory versus voluntary placement and ramifications thereof. The motion to approve Item #3 passed the committee with one dissenting vote.

Meeting adjourned.

November 3, 1970

TO: MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

FROM: ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Upon the suggestion of Dean Nicholas Paraska, the Academic Affairs Committee recommends approval of graduation honors recognition for graduates of two-year programs.

MOTION TO BE PRESENTED:

To approve and then include in the next YSU Catalog under the section THE TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE the following statement:

Graduates receiving the associate degree who rank high scholastically are awarded special honors at the commencement exercise.

Those who attain a quality point average of 3.7 are granted their degrees with HIGH HONORS.

Those who attain a quality point average of 3.4 are granted their degrees with HONORS.

2. Upon the suggestion of Dr. Robert Ward and the faculty of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, the Academic Affairs Committee recommends approval of the following proposals for placement in foreign language courses.

MOTION TO BE PRESENTED:

To approve the following proposals for placement and for credit:

- a. The Modern Language Association National Standardized Examinations for placement in elementary and intermediate foreign language courses will be administered to incoming students on a voluntary basis.
- b. If a student does not elect to take a placement examination, he will be advised according to the appended form which gives the current practice of the department. If he elects to audit a course or complete a course for a grade which repeats work previously done, he will not receive credit hours toward graduation.
- c. A student who takes a placement examination will be advised to enter course(s) on the basis of the results. If the course(s) he is advised to enter repeat(s) work previously taken, he will receive credit hours toward graduation provided the last grade received in the high school foreign language course was 'C' or better. The student will, in no case, receive credit hours toward graduation for previous work in the courses preceding that course in which he is advised to enroll on the basis of his placement test score by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.