Date: March 25, 2008

To: Michael Bess, Chair, Faculty Council

From: Karen Campbell, Chair, Committee on Educational Programs

Re: March 21 actions

The Committee on Educational Programs met on Friday, March 21; in attendance were Karen Campbell (chair), Laura Carpenter, and Doug Harding (voting members). Ex officio members present were Beth Rogers, A&S Registrar and Dean Martin Rapisarda. Michael Muise came to help us keep everything straight.

The CEP voted unanimously in favor of:

1. The proposed revisions to the major and minor in the Program in Jewish Studies. The key changes were to make it clear to students that facility in Hebrew is not a prerequisite for the major, and the replacement of JS 245 with JS 180W. (There were additional changes in the catalog copy, such as updating lists of courses offered that count toward the major or minor in Jewish Studies.)

2. The proposed revisions to the major in the Program in Neuroscience. Two “bins” have been combined into a single bin (now called “Systems, Integrative, and Cognitive Neuroscience”) and five courses previously designated as Psychology (A&S) are now designated Neuroscience.

3. The proposed revision to the major in Psychology. The key changes were the inclusion of additional courses that students may use to satisfy the Research Skills component of the Research Concentration track, a clarification of which courses may be counted as electives toward the major, and the addition of the requirement of a comprehensive exam for all majors. In addition, five courses “migrated” from Psychology to Neuroscience, and this is reflected in the revised catalog copy.