

Northwest Missouri State University
Board of Regents
Date of Meeting: January 22, 2010

Cabinet Member: Douglas Dunham

Agenda Item: Curriculum Proposals

Background:

BOOTH COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, Computer Science/Information Systems

Proposal #109-44-27. Career and technical (CTE) educators at area technical schools teach in the areas of auto mechanics, collision repair, building and trades, welding, and other similar areas; they are able to enter teaching positions without being certified as teachers. When they enter the teaching profession, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) requires them to one course in each of six areas, including instructional methods. Therefore, we propose a graduate certificate program offered for CTE educators who hold a bachelor's degree. We will package six classes that we already offer into a certificate program that will lead to DESE Career and Technical Education certification. **Proposal #109-44-25.** Change in course credit hours. *Instructional Methods for Career Education*, 02-515, Change from 2 credit hours to 3 credit hours. This course is part of the certificate program in proposal 109-44-27. The current 02-515 course is two credit hours and has been reported by former students as the most beneficial in their sequence of classes taken. With the additional credit hour added to the course, we will expose these educators to additional teaching strategies and how to deploy those strategies in their teaching. The Northwest instructor will make on-site visits to each educator's school and observe the methods and strategies in practice.

BOOTH COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, Marketing/Management

Proposal #109-54-01. Deletion of Quality emphasis from MBA program. Since Fall 2004, only four students have chosen this emphasis and two have graduated. The emphasis requires four courses that must be offered in alternating trimesters. This results in significant constraints on the limited number of terminally-degreed faculty who can teach this course. Elimination of this emphasis will allow faculty to teach courses that are in much higher demand.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, History, Humanities, Philosophy, and Political Science

Proposal #109-26-01. Change in course title. This proposal changes HIST 33-513 *Soviet Russia* TO *Modern Russia*.

Issue:

I recommend approval

President's Recommendation:

I recommend approval.