Greetings,

At the UGCC meeting on 12/10/04 the following items were addressed:

1. The requests to change the graduation requirements for Psychology (B.A. and B.S. programs) were approved unanimously. (The approved forms have been sent to the Registrar.)

2. The new course MAE1024, Introduction to Mechanical Engineering, was approved unanimously. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)

3. The request to change the graduation requirements for Mechanical Engineering was approved unanimously. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)

4. The request to add a new minor in Science Education to the curriculum was approved unanimously with the suggestion that the following sentence be added to the catalog description "See the director of teacher education for specific information about teacher certification." (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar and the suggested sentence has been added to the catalog.)

During the discussion, the university requirement that at least nine credits of the minor must be taken at Florida Tech was questioned. Some committee members felt that transfer students should be allowed to count most, if not all, their equivalent transfer credits towards the minor. Others thought that a minor awarded by Florida Tech should reflect significant course work at Florida Tech. It was pointed out that the university requires at least 34 credits must be completed at Florida Tech for a major (approximately 130 credits). Assuming the same ratio, this translates to 5-6 credits for a minor. A proposal to reduce the requirement for minors to a minimum of six credits taken at Florida Tech will be introduced at the next UGCC meeting.

5. The requests to add two new major codes, 7107 (Aviation Administration/Flight Option) and 7108 (Aviation Administration) to the curriculum of the School of Aeronautics, offered only at the Universidad Tecnologica de Panama, were approved unanimously with the following changes. The course UTP 8268, Ecology, is replaced with a Restricted Elective in both programs since UTP 8268 does not appear in the Florida Tech catalog. HUM 2051 and COM 3070 will be interchanged in both programs so that HUM 2051 is taken after its prerequisite COM 1102. (The approved forms have been sent to the Registrar.)

Note: The Spring semester meeting dates are scheduled for February 4, March 4, April 1 and April 29 in the conference room on the third floor of the new Olin Physical Sciences Building.