THE FACULTY SENATE

October 15, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO: President Robert M. Gates

SUBJECT: Dietetic Internship Certificate (FS.20.49)

At its regular meeting on October 14, 2002, the Faculty Senate approved the following item from the Graduate Council and submits it for your approval. Attached is a copy of the material sent to our Senators.

Proposal for a Dietetic Internship Certificate noted on transcript

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please inform me of your action on this matter.

[Signature]

Robert H. Strawser
Speaker, 2002-2003

Attachment

cc: Dr. David Prior
Dr. Karan Watson
Dr. Edward Hiler

Approved:

[Signature]

Robert M. Gates, President

11-20-02  Date
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Rick Giardinio, Dean
Office of Graduate Studies
Campus M.S. - 1113

THROUGH: Dr. C.R. Creger
COALS Executive Associate Dean
Campus M.S. - 2142

FROM: Dr. David Wm. Reed
Professor and Interim Head
Department of Horticultural Sciences

SUBJECT: Dietetic Internship Certificate

The COALS Graduate Program Council discussed the request for a Dietetic Internship Certificate on the transcript (see the attached memo). The COALS Graduate Program Council unanimously recommends approval.

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Human Nutrition Section

To: College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Undergraduate Program Council

From: Mary Beth George, Lecturer and Director, Combined Graduate Degree – Dietetic Internship

Cc: Dr. Edward A. Hiler
    Dr. Fuller W. Bazer
    Dr. Clarence R. Creger
    Dr. John McNeill

Date: 7/30/02

Re: Dietetic Internship Certificate noted on transcript

On July 26, 2002, the 30th class of the TAMU Combined Graduate Degree – Dietetic Internship completed the internship portion of their program. The program, accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education, is designed to allow students pursue a graduate degree in Nutrition or Food Science and also to satisfy supervised practice requirements to become a Registered Dietitian.

Upon completion of graduate coursework, students complete the supervised practice portion of the program. This phase involves a 29-week internship at various rotation sites in Temple, Waco, and Bryan/College Station. Registered Dietitians in various settings (hospitals, outpatient clinics, community programs, school food service, private practice, and long-term care) serve as preceptors and allow interns to gain valuable hands-on experience. During this phase of the program interns continue some coursework at the Texas A & M Medical Research Building at Scott & White in Temple. I travel there weekly to teach the classes. Upon completion of this program, students are eligible to take the registration examination for dietitians.

Interns are required to take the following courses to meet the requirements of the Combined Graduate Degree – Dietetic Internship, either as part of their degree plan or in addition to it:

- Nutrition 489 (3 credits): Special Topics in Nutritional Care of Patients
- Nutrition 489 (1 credit): Special Topics in Advanced Practices in Clinical Nutrition
- Nutrition 681 (1 credit): Nutrition Seminar
- Nutrition 689 (2 credit): Special Topics in Applications for Dietetic Interns
- Nutrition 641 or equivalent Biochemistry course (3 credits): Nutritional Biochemistry
- 3 additional credits from 600-level Nutrition courses

I am requesting that “Dietetic Internship Certificate” be noted on the transcript and diploma. Listed below are the graduates of this year’s internship.

If additional information is needed, please advise me.