

ROTC PROPOSAL:

Council of Deans

Minutes of the Meeting of February 2, 2000

1. The Council continued its discussion of ROTC. Catalog copies from other universities provided examples of how the program and courses are listed. The discussion focused on two issues: a) The process by which the proposal should move forward; b) How the courses and the program should be listed in VU's catalog.

Process: It is most appropriate that the College of Engineering sponsor the proposal to the Educational Policy Committee. Other colleges may also support the proposal. If approved, EPC will take the proposal to the Faculty Senate. With formal approval from the Senate, the proposal will go back to individual colleges so that they may decide which and how many courses will be accepted toward graduation as electives. The Provost will briefly introduce the proposal at EPC today and ask for a special meeting of the EPC to consider it. It will be helpful if someone from the Council, as well as a faculty member from a college supporting the proposal, meets with the Student Senate.

Listing: The closest analogy to how the ROTC program can be listed in the catalog is provided by the Lutheran Colleges Washington Consortium. By analogy, the course (and the program) should be listed separately from colleges and departments. The listing should consist of a separate chapter which follows the description of the interdisciplinary programs.