Greetings,

At the UGCC meeting on 4/02/04 the following items were addressed:

1. The new course PSY 4521, Animal Learning and Behavior, was approved with one objection. There was some concern that the text and syllabus involved too much biology for a psychology course. The Committee did recommend that more student assessment be included before the drop deadline for the course.

2. The requests to change the credits for PHY 4031 and SPS 4031, Independent Studies, from 3 credit hours to 1, 2 or 3 credit hours were approved unanimously. The request to include these courses as 4 credit hour courses was denied because there was insufficient justification. It was pointed out that a student wishing to obtain credit for a specific course other than the time it is offered should be enrolled in directed study not independent study. (The approved forms have been sent to the Registrar.)

3. The new course, IDS1010, Community Service, was approved with one abstention. The new IDS prefix refers to Interdisciplinary Study. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)

4. The External Exam subcommittee recommendations for Florida Tech credit on the basis of College Board Advanced Placement exams, the Cambridge British A-Level exams, the College Level Examination Program, and the International Baccalaureate program were approved unanimously. The UGCC wishes to thank Russ Graves (Chairperson), Randy Alford, Karen Almasi, Bill Gabrenya, Ed Lalajian and Barb Pierce for serving on the subcommittee. (After consultation with the Registrar and the Director of Admissions it was decided that these recommendations should become effective September 1, 2004 with the understanding that any student recruited under the old guidelines will be "grandfathered".)

A reminder that items must be submitted to me by Friday, April 16, for consideration by the UGCC this semester. The last meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 23.