

D R A K E U N I V E R S I T Y  
FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

The Drake University Faculty Senate will meet in regular session on  
March 15, 2006 in Levitt Hall, Old Main at 3:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of February 2006 minutes
4. Report from President Maxwell

NOTE: If any Senator would like to submit a question for President Maxwell for the meeting,  
please email that question to President Esposito and/or President Maxwell.

5. Report from Provost Troyer
6. Report from President Esposito
7. Unfinished Business

Motion 06-07 – tabled January 2006

Be it resolved, the Faculty Senate recommends that Drake University end the practice of  
presenting honorary degrees at commencement.

8. New Business

- A) The University Curriculum Committee moves adoption of the following rules for  
release of undergraduate and graduate degrees beginning with the 06-07 academic  
year.:

Undergraduate Graduation:

Students must file an application for graduation by the posted deadline at <http://www.drake.edu/studentrecords/>.

Once requirements have been fulfilled and verified, the Records Office will post the degree and mail  
the diploma with the established graduation date in May, August, or December. The student must  
complete and the College Office must verify all requirements within one month of graduation to have  
the degree posted with the applied-for graduation date. Students who meet the requirements for  
graduation at a later point in time will have an effective graduation date of the following established  
graduation date in May, August, or December.

Graduate, Pharmacy, and Law Graduation:

Once graduate, pharmacy, and law students have filed an application for graduation and are certified to meet the  
requirements for graduation by the College Office, the Records Office will post the degree dated the  
15th of the following month (pharmacy students cannot graduate prior to the established graduation  
date in May).

- B) The University Curriculum Committee moves adoption of the following rules for approval of new cross-  
college programs, effective from the beginning of the Fall 2006 Semester:

Faculty proposing a new cross-college program shall submit a written proposal to the University Curriculum  
Committee. The proposal shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:

- (1) Evidence that the proposed program fulfills a university need.
- (2) Evidence that the program meets the academic and administrative criteria set out in the Drake Strategic Plan, as well  
as the Drake Mission Statement and Explication.
- (3) Evidence that the proposed program has a high likelihood of enhancing the learning experience of current students  
or of attracting new students to Drake.
- (4) Evidence that the program is viable. This shall include evidence that it will retain students, that it will be supported  
administratively by the relevant colleges, and in particular that any 'core' courses will be offered on a regular  
schedule by qualified faculty.

Following provisional approval by the Committee the proposal shall be shared with the appropriate Associate Deans  
and departmental chairs for feedback. If it secures official support

The proposal will gain final approval at the following regular Curriculum Committee meeting, or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter.

- C) Move adoption of the calendars that the University Curriculum Committee has given second approval to the 2007-2008 Academic Calendar and preliminary approval to the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar (both attached).

## 9. Adjournment