

Proposed Faculty Handbook Language

2.8.1 Bachelor of Liberal Studies Committee The committee consists of five appointed faculty members and a non-voting *ex officio* member, the Director of the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) Degree Program. In addition, one student, appointed by the Director of the BLS Degree Program, serves as a non-voting member. Appointed faculty members serve three-year staggered terms, beginning with the fall semester following their appointment. The committee's duties are to:

- .1 Evaluate BLS admissions policies as needed.
- .2 Review and advise the Office of Admissions regarding recruitment and marketing strategies for the BLS program.
- .3 Review and approve BLS special majors.
- .4 Evaluate portfolio credit policies as needed.
- .5 Review BLS degree requirements, including general education credits.
- .6 Review BLS program assessments and make recommendations as needed.
- .7 Review and approve requests for exceptions to BLS policies.
- .8 Perform other duties consistent with its charge as assigned by the University Faculty Council.

NOTE: All advisory committees in the existing handbook will need to be renumbered and all references to those sections updated.

Existing Faculty Handbook Language:

F.9.5 Bachelor of Liberal Studies Committee The committee consists of six appointed faculty members and as an *ex officio* member, the Assistant Dean for the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) Program. Appointed faculty members serve three-year staggered terms, beginning with the fall semester following their appointment. The committee's duties are to:

- .1 Evaluate BLS admissions policies and performance standards on an ongoing basis, formulating recommendations to the Faculty Senate.
- .2 Review and approve BLS learning contracts with recommendations to the student and BLS Assistant Dean.
- .3 Periodically review the mentor and portfolio processes and recommend any changes in procedures to the BLS Assistant Dean or to the Faculty Senate if a policy change is requested.
- .4 Review the academic requirements of the BLS program to insure that they meet the standards of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- .5 Periodically compare the BLS program with other continuing education programs to insure continuing high standards of performance.