

UEPC Action Item 3.2.F08

Proposals from the Committee on Teaching and Scholarship:

*Proposal to Adopt a New Version of the Course Evaluation Form*

This proposal was initially discussed at the 9-8-08 meeting of the UEPC. Since that time, the Committee on Teaching and Scholarship has again revised the course evaluation form to address six separate comments made by the UEPC.

Separate attachments include a copy of the revised course evaluation form and a memo from Dean Murray which describes the rationale for the revision and a history of the revision process.

*Outcome of UEPC deliberation to be forwarded to the Faculty Senate:*

Recommend that the new course evaluation form be approved. However, the UEPC recommends that no change be made to the Course Evaluation Form until some committee – perhaps the Committee on Teaching and Scholarship – first carry out focus groups of SMC students. The purpose of the focus groups should be to determine how the students interpret (or possibly misinterpret) the items on the form. The UEPC also agreed that authorization to convene focus groups should come from the Provost, because cooperation will be needed from several individuals to accumulate a random selection of students to participate in the focus groups. (11 in favor, 0 opposed).