

F89-3 REQUIRED GRADUATE BIBLIOGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION

Legislative History:

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At its meeting of November 6, 1989, the Academic Senate approved the following Policy Recommendation presented by Brian Holmes for the Curriculum and Research Committee.

ACTION BY THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

"Accepted and Approved as University Policy. Effective for students admitted to Graduate degree programs for fall, 1990 and thereafter." Signed: Gail Fullerton, November 15, 1989.

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Whereas, Instruction on library research would increase students' understanding of appropriate strategies, methods, and library tools within a particular discipline which will be applicable to their coursework, chosen profession and for lifelong learning; and

Whereas, This instruction would enhance the students' ability to produce well-researched theses, projects and papers and increase their awareness of the topics of concern within their fields of study; and

Whereas, Learning efficient library research methods will enable students to spend the majority of their time analyzing information, rather than searching for it; and

Whereas, This instruction will promote familiarity with use of data base management and indexing techniques in all of the University's graduate degree programs; therefore, be it

Resolved, That library research be included within a required graduate level course for each degree program. The teaching department will determine the appropriate course for this instruction. The instruction will be done in cooperation with members of the library faculty who are knowledgeable about the program subject areas.

This instruction will be offered for a one-year trial period. At the end of that time, it will be evaluated to determine the workload implications for the Library and effectiveness in teaching library research.