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AGENDA

Honors Program Committee  
Morehead State University  
3:15 p.m.  
January 29, 1991

- I. Introductions
- II. Role of Honors Program Committee
- III. Election of Vice Chair and Secretary
- IV. Scheduling of Committee Meetings for Spring 1991
- V. Reeves' Seminar Proposal
- VI. Other Business

## HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 29, 1991

Mac Luckey, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. in the Honors House Conference Room.

### Members Present

Lawrence Griesinger  
Jack Henson  
Mac Luckey, Chair  
James Mann  
Tracy Sturgill  
Marvin Turner

### Members Absent

Jacklynn Darling  
David Mincey  
Jennifer Lynn Mays

Regrets were received from each absent member of the committee.

New members were introduced by the Chair.

Chairman Luckey gave a description of the Honors Program and the role of the Committee and its members. Each member was given a Program Handbook and Honors Program Committee guidelines (attached), and they were asked to look over the Handbook for any revisions.

### Election of Vice-Chair:

Lawrence Griesinger nominated Tracy Sturgill as Vice-Chair.  
Jack Henson made a motion to cease nominations and elect by acclamation.  
James Mann seconded the motion.  
The committee approved the motion unanimously.

### Election of Secretary:

James Mann nominated Lawrence Griesinger as Secretary.  
Jack Henson made a motion to cease nominations and elect by acclamation.  
Tracy Sturgill seconded the motion.  
The committee approved the motion unanimously.

Upcoming Committee Meetings:

February 26, 1991	3:15 p.m.	Honors House
March 12, 1991	3:15 p.m.	Honors House
April 9, 1991	3:15 p.m.	Honors House
May 15, 1991	3:15 p.m.	Honors House

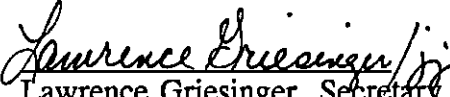
New Business:

Edward Reeves, Associate Professor of Sociology, has proposed a new Honors Seminar for the fall semester, 1991. SOC 389, Societies and Cultures of the Middle East, will be an experimental class. (Course approval attached.)

Lawrence Griesinger made a motion to approve this class.  
Chris Turner seconded the motion.  
After discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

Without other business, Lawrence Griesinger made a motion to adjourn.  
James Mann seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Lawrence Griesinger, Secretary

### HONORS PROGRAM COMMITTEE

**Termination Date:** Standing Committee, last revision June 1990.

**Purpose:** To provide to the truly excellent student the very best in educational experiences through special courses and extracurricular activities.

**Membership:** Voting membership shall consist of one faculty member from each college selected by the Faculty Senate, the Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students or his/her designee, and three honor students selected during the Spring Semester immediately preceding the year of service. One rising sophomore shall be selected by the sophomore honor students, one rising junior shall be selected by the junior honor students and one rising senior shall be selected by the senior honor students. Term of service shall be one year for students. Faculty members shall serve two-year terms with one-half being replaced each year.

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. To recruit for, develop, and review the honors program.
2. To recommend changes and modifications to improve and strengthen the program.
3. When assigned, to sponsor the annual Honors Day Convocation and Honors Week activities.

**Officers:** Chair - Honors Program Director who shall vote only in case of a tie; a Vice Chair and a Secretary as selected by the committee from the membership.

**Frequency of Meetings:** Monthly during the Fall and Spring Semesters.

**Reporting Channels:** Recommendatory to the Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculties through the Dean of Undergraduate Programs.

**Minutes and Proposals Copied to:** The Library, Faculty Senate, and Student Government Association.

**Support Services:** Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Programs.

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MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC HONORS PROGRAM

SEMINAR PROPOSAL FORM

FACULTY: Edward B. Reeves, Associate Professor of Sociology

DEPARTMENT: Sociology, Social Work, and Corrections

SEMINAR TITLE: SOC 389 Societies and Cultures of the Middle East

DESCRIPTION:

Offers a cogent analysis of the impact of global economic, political, and intellectual change on Middle Eastern societies and cultures. The course will stress this volatile region's socio-political complexities and problems. Attention will also be given to recognizing the dubious efforts of Western intellectuals to give an account of Middle Eastern cultural values. Other points to be stressed in the course are the importance of religious communities and societal types as well as the role of Islam as both a revolutionary and conservative force. Further, it will be shown how demographic and geographic conditions have helped to shape contemporary Middle Eastern societies and cultures. Finally, an effort will be made to relate this course to the "Age of ..." seminars.

REQUIRED READINGS AND ASSIGNMENTS:

Bickerton and Klausner. A Concise History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict. Prentice-Hall (1991).

Eickelman, Dale. The Middle East. Prentice-Hall (1989).

Fernea, Elizabeth. Guest of the Sheikh. Anchor (1969).

Mahfouz, Naguib. Midaq Alley. International Book Center (1963).

Reeves, Edward. The Hidden Government. Utah (1990).

In accordance with the guidelines for teaching an honors seminar, discussion informed by extensive reading will constitute the core of this course. Critical thinking techniques (e.g., Socratic method, exploration of value positions) will be used. Students will be asked to make oral presentations to the class, and a major written assignment will require the integration of all seminar materials. Occasional guest lecturers and films will provide variety.

## HONORS SEMINAR PROPOSAL

### INNOVATIVE TEACHING APPROACHES TO BE USED:

Heavy responsibility will be placed on students to make oral presentations and to organize panel discussions on selected topics (e.g., colonialism, economic underdevelopment of the region, political instability, terrorism, Islamic fundamentalism, etc.). Students will also keep a journal of ideas that come from the readings and discussions.

### THE HONORS PROGRAM OFFERS UP TO \$400 TO ENRICH YOUR SEMINAR. HOW MIGHT YOU SPEND THE MONEY?

There is an excellent prize-winning commercial film I would like to show ("The Battle of Algiers"--in French and Arabic with English subtitles). It is a gripping portrayal of the Algerian Revolution. One or two other films might also be rented and shown. Two scholars at the University of Kentucky--Bob Olsen in history and Bill Adams in anthropology, both internationally recognized authorities on the Middle East--would probably be willing to guest lecture in return for expenses.

### YOUR SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFERING THIS SEMINAR:

I am trained in Arabic and have carried out long-term field research in several Middle Eastern countries. I have published one book, several research monographs, and a number of articles on problems besetting this region.

### SEMESTER IN WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO TEACH THE SEMINAR:

Fall 1991