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MEMORANDUM

July 23, 1990

TO: Members of the English Department Faculty

FROM: Dean Standish Meacham

I have asked Professor Kruppa, and he has agreed, to postpone the implementation of the new curriculum for English 306 for one year. We have arrived at this decision after consultation with a number of faculty members and administrators.

I will continue to support strongly, as I have during the past months, the concept of English 306 as a writing and rhetoric course with a unified curriculum centered on the themes of diversity and difference, an idea which I believe to be imaginative and exciting. And I have the assurance of the administration that they support this concept as well.

This decision will, I know, be disappointing to those most involved in the designing of the course, who have looked forward to beginning with the new curriculum in the fall. But I have made it because we need to address concerns and misunderstandings about the course, expressed within the University community, and because I believe that additional time for planning and consultation will ensure the best course possible.

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