Proposal to Accept Completion of Military Basic Training/boot camp as Meeting the University Physical Activity Requirement

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Academic Policies Committee

Brief History of the Issue
The UWEC Veterans Advisory Committee has recommended, and the Department of Kinesiology concurs, that UWEC grant one credit in physical activity for students who have completed basic training/boot camp for the military. Further support was offered by the Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences.

Evidence would be provided to the Registrar or Admissions office through presentation of military identification, a transcript from the American Council on Education Registry showing completion of the Basic Combat Training Course, or a copy of a D.D. 214. On approval, the language would be inserted into the UW-Eau Claire catalog in the Wellness Requirement section (e.g., pages 43-44 of the 2008-09 Catalogue).

Points Discussed by Committee:
- Relative levels of physical activity in military training compared to existing required physical activity courses

Pros:
- Acknowledges role of military physical activities in the development of physical fitness and health
- Streamlines existing procedures for reviewing and accepting military service activities

Cons:
- None

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University Academic Policies Committee by a vote of 9 votes for and 0 votes against, recommends to the University Senate approval of the following academic policy: **Students who have completed basic training/boot camp for the military will be given one credit of physical activity. Evidence would be provided to the Registrar or Admissions office through presentation of military identification, a transcript from the American Council on Education Registry showing completion of the Basic Combat Training Course, or a copy of a D.D. 214.**

Implementation Date: On approval and distribution of policy to Advisors

Dr. Robert E. Hollon, chair, on behalf of the University Senate Academic Policies Committee