REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: *Academic Policies Committee*

**Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:**

The Pre-Professional Program: Pre-Architecture (Code 005-900) is not well-matched to the array of courses offered at the university, enrolls a small number of students, and serves them poorly. The program consumes seat-space and advising resources. Students have to transfer to another institution to complete a degree in architecture. Our pre-architecture program is so antiquated that it delays students’ degree completion at their terminal institution by at least one semester.

The Department of Physics and Astronomy approved removal of this program on January 26 by a vote of 11-0.

**Points Discussed by Committee:**

1. Architecture is more closely aligned with Art now than it is with Physics and Astronomy, but it’s a subfield and Art is not well equipped to staff/teach it.
2. Only a small amount of students are enrolled in the program. These students consume resources that could be used elsewhere.
3. Publication of this program is misleading to potential students, since they have to retake the courses at another institution anyway.

**Pros of Recommendation:**

Eliminating the program is the best option for both the university and these students since
   a. it doesn’t fit within our array of programs
   b. we don’t have the resources to develop this program
   c. it misleads students coming to UWEC for a solid pre-architecture program

**Cons of Recommendation:**

None

**Technology/Human Resource Impact:**

None

**Committee Recommendation:**

Remove the Pre-Professional Program: Pre-Architecture (Code 005-900) from the *University Catalog*. 
MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University Senate Committee: Academic Policies Committee
by a vote of ___9___ for to ___0___ against on ___March 27, 2012___

Recommends that the Pre-Professional Program: Pre-Architecture (Code 005-900) be removed from the *University Catalog*.

Implementation Date: Immediate or upon earliest catalog change

Signed: _________________________________________
Chair of the Committee

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