

**PRESS RELEASE**

**DATE:** September 14, 2004  
**FROM:** Faculty Senate Office, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**SUBJECT:** Upcoming Faculty Senate Meeting, September 23, 2004, 3:30 p.m., Herter Hall 227

- **2003-2004 Annual Report of the University Computer and Electronic Communications Committee**  
Steven Brewer, Chair (Questions and Discussion of SPIRE/PeopleSoft issues to follow)

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**Actions taken by the Rules Committee, acting on behalf of the Faculty Senate,  
over the Summer 2004**

- **Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning the Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee on the Coordinating Functions and Responsibilities of the International Programs Office**  
(Richard Bogartz, Chair)
- **Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning the Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee on Online Learning** (Richard Bogartz, Chair)
- **Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning Changes in the Repeated Courses Policy to Concur with Changes in the Grading System** (John Jenkins, Chair)
- **Special Report of the General Education Council concerning A Recommended General Education Designation** (Mark Leckie, Chair)
- **Approval of new courses by the Academic Matters Council** (John Jenkins, Chair)  
EDUC 258 “Educating for Social Justice and Diversity through Peer Theater” 3 credits and  
ENVIRSCI 465 “Principles of Environmental Site Assessment” 3 credits

**New Business**

- **Elections: One At-Large Member of the Rules Committee and Rules Committee Chair**
- **Oral Progress Report by a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Coordinating Functions and Responsibilities of the International Programs Office**
- **Special Report of the Committee on Committees concerning Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees** (Amended Report adding new members) (Arthur Kinney, Chair)

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- **Remarks by the Chancellor, Interim Provost, other administrative officers and leaders of other campus governance units** (Questions)
- **For more information, contact Ernest May, Secretary of the Faculty Senate**