## FS 12/13-36/CPC/EX DEGREE PROGRAM MINIMUM UNIT REQUIREMENT, AMENDMENT OF AS 84-85 (UMD03050.)

A motion to introduce a substitute amendment to the original motion shown on the February 7, 2013 Agenda was made, seconded and agreed to. After discussion the body voted on the substitute amendment, which was approved and then amended further, and carried unanimously.

The Faculty Senate recommends replacing the Degree Program Minimum Unit Requirement policy (UMD03050), which was recommended in AS 84-85 with the following policy statement as indicated below:

Bachelor of Arts Degree majors require a minimum of 24 semester units in the major academic program with at least 12 semester units at upper division, and are limited to no more than 48 semester units in coursework with the same 2, 3 or 4-letter course code.

The Bachelor of Science Degree has the same primary objectives as the Bachelor of Arts Degree but is grounded in scientific methodology and emphasizes applications in a wide range of technical and professional fields. Bachelor of Science majors require a minimum of 36 semester units in the major academic program with at least 18 semester units at upper division, and are limited to no more than one half the total degree unit requirements in coursework with the same 2, 3, or 4-letter course code.

When considering the above limits on semester units in coursework with the same 2, 3, or 4-letter course code, college-level prerequisites, co-requisites for required courses, and required electives are included.

Bachelor's degrees in designated disciplines such as Bachelor of Music carry the same primary objectives as the other baccalaureate degrees, but are more structured and prescribed in major content in order to meet specific professional goals. Such degrees require a minimum of 36 semester units in the major academic program with at least 18 semester units at upper division. Exemptions to unit limits are granted only upon the recommendation of the Faculty Senate's Curriculum Committee and approval of the college dean and the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Currently, the comprehensive Bachelor of Arts Degree in liberal studies that includes both major and general education requirements is exempt from the 48-unit limitation.

Carried