UBUS Committee Description:
The University Board of Undergraduate Studies is a standing committee of the University Academic Senate. The Board addresses undergraduate educational affairs that affect more than one college, school, or program and serves as a forum for the discussion of the development, coordination, integration, and improvement of all undergraduate education.

Committee Membership:
Christine Shaw (Chair) – College of Nursing
Gary Meyer – Vice Provost for Undergraduate Programs and Teaching (Ex Officio)
Noel Adams – Klingler College Arts and Sciences, Humanities
Sandra Cleveland – College of Professional Studies
Joyce Wolburg- Diederich College of Communication
Kathleen Ford – Marquette University Student Government
Behnam Ghasemzadeh, – College of Health Sciences
Matthew Hurley - Marquette University Student Government
Debra Oswald (Fall) - Klingler College Arts and Sciences, Social Sciences
Kristy Nielson (Spring) - Klingler College Arts and Sciences, Social Sciences
Stephanie Quade – Sr. Associate Dean of Student Development (Ex Officio)
James Richie – College of Engineering
Peter Toumanoff – College of Business Administration
Joan Whipp – Education
Chae Yi - Arts and Sciences, Natural Sciences
Christine Krueger – Academic Senate Liaison

Meetings:
The Board met eight times during the academic year: September 7, October 5, November 2, November 30, December 14, January 18, February 1, and March 7.

Program Actions Forwarded to Academic Senate:
- Approval of the revised undergraduate Nursing curriculum – College of Nursing.
- Approval of an Interdisciplinary major in Peace Studies - Klingler College Arts and Sciences
- Approval of a major in Media Studies - Diederich College of Communication
- Approval of a minor in Corporate Communications - Diederich College of Communication
- Approval of a minor in Bilingual-Bicultural Education.- College of Education

Additional Committee Discussions and Actions
- The recommendations of the Academic Integrity Subcommittee as presented by Dr. Tim Melchert were approved and sent to the Academic Senate.
- Extensive discussion of the Core of Common Studies, its implementation, and the challenges of its evaluation occurred over the course of several UBUS meetings. Michael Monahan, Director of the Core of Common Studies and Sharron Ronco, Director of University Assessment participated in the discussions. A thoughtful report regarding the Core of Common Studies was
forwarded to Academic Senate. This was in response to the charge from James South, Chair of Academic Senate to address the following:

1. What do we know about student learning as related to the core?
2. Do the nine current knowledge areas still make sense today?
3. Does the current structure and integration of the core facilitate learning?

- Approval of a motion to add the Director of the Core of Common Studies to the membership of the UBUS as an ex officio member was forwarded to the Academic Senate.
- UBUS also reviewed the numbers of students in Marquette University majors and minors.

Report Submitted by Christine Shaw, UBUS Chairperson 4-23-12