



WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY 42101

Office of Associated Student Government

Resolution 89-03-F
Class on Sexual Transmitted
Diseases at WKU
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PURPOSE: To establish a class at Western Kentucky University with a curriculum consisting mainly of background and current information of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and other sexually transmitted diseases.

STATUS:

WHEREAS, AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases are a growing problem in America, and

WHEREAS, The report of the "Presidential Commission of the HIV Epidemic" recommends that colleges and universities (like Western) should create on campus HIV prevention and education programs, and

WHEREAS, Admiral James Watkins, Chairman of President Reagan's AIDS Commission, states that "they (colleges and universities) have to be the focal point of an educational fix for dealing with this epidemic and any future epidemics", and

WHEREAS, A course on sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS would be beneficial to many major and minor disciplines offered by Western, and

WHEREAS, People from the community of Bowling Green and surrounding counties could also take this course, thereby making students at Western and people in the community better educated about sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS, and

WHEREAS, There has been little response by universities on the topic of sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS.

THEREFORE, We, the members of Associated Student Government, do hereby recommend that Western Kentucky University establish a class that will deal factually with AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases.

FURTHERMORE, Since Admiral Watkins states that "education is the prime weapon we have for dealing with the (AIDS) virus", education on this topic is strongly encouraged.

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