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TO: MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES SENATE

FROM: HUGH J. SILVERMAN, SENATE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: ARTS AND SCIENCES SENATE MEETING - OCTOBER 12th, 1998

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Dear Colleagues:

I cordially urge you to attend the first meeting of the Arts and Sciences Senate this year! We have a new venue: the Javits Room (2nd floor, Library), and will meet there from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 12th. The Senate depends upon your attendance and participation. Without you and your Senate, there is only the department and the administration. We have an outstanding Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and the College Senate is where governance in the College takes place in cooperation with the Dean's office. I will make every effort to be sure that these meetings are important, that they address issues of significance, and that they provide reports in areas that make a difference to us as members of the College. But the Senate is only as strong as the participation of its members! Each of the nearly thirty departments has a representative, and they are complemented by a number of at-large senators. The Dean and members of his staff attend the College Senate meetings. Make your Senate matter. Be there.

See you on Monday,

Hugh J. Silverman

President of the Arts and Sciences Senate

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## **ARTS & SCIENCES SENATE MEETS**

**MONDAY, 12 OCTOBER 1998, 3:30 PM SHARP**

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Hugh J. Silverman, the new President of the Arts & Sciences Senate, announces that the first meeting of the Fall semester of the Arts & Sciences Senate will be on Monday, October 12th at 3:30 pm SHARP, in Javits Room (2nd floor, Melville Library).

The meetings of the Arts & Sciences Senate are open and all interested members of the University community are welcome to attend.

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### TENTATIVE AGENDA

- I. Approval of the Tentative Agenda
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the Senate Meeting of April 20th, 1998.
- III. The Arts & Sciences Senate President's Welcome and Report (Hugh J. Silverman).

Special thanks to Michael Marx, Past President

Status of the five Senate Standing Committees

Role of the Senate Executive Committee

The Question of Interdisciplinarity

Directions for the 1998-99 Senate

IV. Proposal to change the status of AFRICANA STUDIES from a Program to a Department

(Statement by W. McAdoo, Chair, Africana Studies)

V. A & S Senate Topic of the Month:

INTERDISCIPLINARY UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

Eli Seifman, Director, Interdisciplinary Program in Social Sciences

Robert Harvey, Director, Humanities Interdisciplinary Program

Judith Wishnia, Director, Multidisciplinary Studies

VI. Annual Report: Curriculum Committee 1997-98

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

HUGH J. SILVERMAN

PRESIDENT OF THE ARTS & SCIENCES SENATE

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ARTS & SCIENCES SENATE CALENDAR

Monday, 12 October 1998

Monday, 9 November 1998

Monday, 14 December 1998

All meetings are at 3:30 pm SHARP, in the Javits Room, 2nd Floor, Library

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