

1014-Y5-1006 **Debra L. Hydorn*** (dhydorn@umw.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of Mary Washington, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. *Courting New Majors at the University of Mary Washington.*

The Mathematics Department at Mary Washington has seen an increase in the number of declared majors due, in part, to a number of new initiatives. While the department typically sees approximately 15 new majors each semester, 37 new majors joined the department last spring alone. In this presentation a summary of our initiatives and strategies for creating a "student centered" environment will be provided. (Received September 26, 2005)