MEMORANDUM

TO: Students Selected for Selective Service Registration Compliance

FROM: Winthrop University Office of Financial Aid

As you know from the Student Aid Report sent to you by the federal government, your registration with the Selective Service has not been confirmed. The processing of your application for financial aid cannot continue until you respond to this notice; you must respond within 30 days of the date of this notice. Review each of the three categories listed below, determine which fits your situation, and follow the procedures described.

1. If you are not required to be registered with the Selective Service because of one of the reasons listed on the Statement of Registration Status, complete and sign the enclosed form and return it to the Office of Financial Aid, 119 Tillman Hall, Rock Hill, SC 29733.

2. If you are male, and are 18 through 25 years of age, and are required to be registered, you must register with Selective Service. You may complete a paper registration form, available at U.S. Post Offices or you may register online with the Selective Service. The web address is www.sss.gov. After you register, complete Part B, “Registration Information,” on the Statement of Registration Status with Selective Service and return it to the Office of Financial Aid. Our office will check periodically for the confirmation of your registration to appear on the Selective Service web site.

3. If you are 26 or older, and were required to be registered with the Selective Service but did not do so, you can receive financial aid only if you provide documentation to this office that you meet either of the two conditions described below:

   A. You served as a member of one of the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty and received a DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty showing military service with other than the reserve forces and National Guard.

   B. You did not knowingly and willfully fail to register with the Selective Service.

Documentation of condition A is a copy of DD Form 214. For condition B, federal regulations require that you obtain and present to this office an advisory opinion from the Selective Service verifying that you did not knowingly and willfully fail to register. To begin the advisory opinion process, you may call the Selective Service at (847)688-6888 or download the information from the Selective Service web site (www.sss.gov). The Web site has excellent information to guide you through this process.

After you provide the information to the Selective Service, they will send you a Registration Status Information Letter. Send a copy of this Status Information Letter along with your own written statement regarding your reasons for failing to register to this office. An additional 15 days to the 30 mentioned above (total of 45) is allowed for this response.

Processing your financial aid cannot continue until you have satisfied this requirement.