Honors Committee Meeting Minutes 2013-2014

2013-2014 Committee Members:

Cassandra Awgulewitsch (Student); Katherine Eaton (Student); Ganaway, Bryan F (Ex-officio); Trisha Folds-Bennett (Ex-Officio); Sorinel Oprisan; Lisa Samuel; Joshua Shanes; Trish Ward; Tracy Burkett (chair)

August 30, 2014

1. Curriculum
   a. 2014-2015 Western Civics
   b. Independent Studies and Bachelor’s Essays
   c. Plan to evaluate interdisciplinary course proposals at Sept. 20th meeting
   d. Revision of curriculum

2. Discussed New Procedures for reviewing Honors College Applicants

September 13, 2013

1. Old Business
   A. The minutes from the August 30th meeting were approved without revision

2. New Business
   A. Update on Buist-Rutledge Situation
   B. Update on Western Civilization class space for 2014-2015
   C. Student Committee Members Selected
      a. Katherine Eaton
      b. Cassandra Awgulewitsch
   D. Academic Policy and Procedures
      1. “Petition for exception to the 3.4 graduation policy” Form – approved for posting to the website
      2. “Petition to enroll in HONS 399 and HONS 499 policy” Form – approved for posting to the website
      3. “Petition to have a study abroad course count as an honors course” Form – approved for posting to the website
      4. “petition to have an internship count as the independent study” Form – approved for posting to the website
      5. “Academic Dismissal Appeal Policy” Form – the committee requested revisions to the language to make the form clearer. After these revisions Bryan Ganaway will resubmit the form for approval.
September 30, 2013

1. Old Business
   A. The minutes from the September 13th meeting were approved without revision

2. New Business
   A. Status of International Studies as a permanent catalog course
   B. Review of 2014/2015 interdisciplinary course
      Approved:
      The Ethics of Addiction, Jennifer Baker
      From the Holy to the Mundane: Myth, Ritual and Symbol, John Huddlestun
      Neuroscience, Self, and Society, Thomas Nadelhoffer
      Digital Humanities Project: Biutiful Barcelona, Benjamin Fraser
      Computer Music On A Laptop: Composing, Performing, Interacting, Bill Manaris and Yiorgos Vassilandonakis
      Evangelicalism in America Today, Elijah Siegler
      Cognition, Connection, and the Contemplative Mind + Contemplative Lab, Doryjane Birrer
      Royal Britain: The Monarchy from Alfred the Great to Elizabeth II, Amy McCandless
      Music and Film, Yiorgos Vassilandonakis
      The History of the Civil Rights Movement: Understanding the Role of Charleston in a National Movement Toward Freedom, Jon Hale
      Postcards from Mexico, Joe Weyer

October 11, 2013

1. Old Business
   a. Approval of Minutes
   b. Finalize interdisciplinary courses for 2014-2015
   c. Updates on space for 2014-2015 Western Civilization

2. New Business
   a. Student petitions to Honors College Committee
   b. Change from Special Topics Honors courses to regular catalogue courses
      i. Accounting
      ii. International Studies
   c. Rubric for application essays and letters of recommendation

November 1, 2013

1. Old Business
   a. Approval of Minutes
   b. 2014-2015 Western Civilization Update

2. New Business
   a. Rubrics
      i. Application Essay Rubric
      ii. Letters of Recommendation Rubric
   b. Student petition to committee
January 8, 2014
1. Old Business
   a. Approval of Minutes
2. New Business
   a. Update on Applications/Admissions
   b. Review of Scholarship Weekend Interview Procedures

January 27, 2014
1. Old Business
   a. Approval of Minutes
   b. Application Updates
2. New Business
   a. Essays for Scholarship Interviews
   b. Interview Questions

March 31, 2014
1. Old Business
   a. Approval of Minutes
   b. Scholarship and Admissions Updates
2. Review student petitions to Honors College

April 29, 2014
1. Old Business—Scholarship and Admissions Update
2. Student Petitions
3. New Committee elected Joe Weyers as 2014-2015 Honors College Committee Chair