

Minutes of the Faculty Curriculum Committee Meeting, January 16th, 2015
Stern Center 201

Submitted by Steven Jaume and Mike Larsen

Meeting started at 3:15 PM

Attending

Faculty Curriculum Committee Members: Bonnie Springer (Chair), Steven Jaume (Secretary), Mike Larsen, Doug Friedman, John Bruns, Josh Minor, Marianne Verlinden, Jeff Shockley

Academic Affairs: Lynne Ford

Registrar's Office: Franklin Czwazka, Mary C Bergstrom, Jerry Mackeldon, Cathy Boyd

Senate Secretariat: Pearson Hoak

Attending: Trent Salvaggio (Management), Bill Barfield (Health & Human Performance), Sue Balinsky (Health & Human Performance), Chad Galuska (Psychology), Chris Korey (Biology), Christine Byrum (Biology), Anja Kelley (Arts Management), Oren Segal (Jewish Studies), Andrea DeMaria (Women's Studies), Brumby McLeod (HTMT), Elaine Worzaca (Real Estate Program Director), Melissa Hughes (Biology), R. G. Gilmore III (Historic Preservation), Bob Mignone (Math) and Conseula Francis (African American Studies)

New Business:

HIST 104 Pre-requisite Change:

Represented indicated that paperwork was corrected and resubmitted.
Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

PHIL 399 Pre-requisite Change:

Motion to waive protocol for requiring rep present.
Motion passed.
Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

ARTM 340 Pre-requisite Change:

Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

HEAL 225/230/403 Pre-requisite Change:

Discussion pointed out that another alternative to the proposed method would be to close HEAL 403 and require to students to get permission to register. Registrar's Office representatives said they preferred method in this proposal.

Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

REAL 376 Pre-requisite Change and Change of Program:

Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

HPCP 290 Pre-requisite Change:

Clarification was made regarding sequencing. Since 290 can serve as a recruiting tool for the major, no exception of 199 is included in course content and opening up to a broader audience helps the program in many ways.

Paperwork needed some changes.
Motion to approve proposal pending updated paperwork.
Motion passed.

PSYC 390 Course Change (Name and Description)
Clarification that course content remains entirely the same.
Motion to approve proposal.
Motion passed.

PSYC 321 Course Change (Name)
[Carry-Over Proposal]
Previously, paperwork included both a course name change and a course description change. Only the name was intended to be changed. Paperwork was resubmitted reflecting course name change only.
Motion to approve (as modified in current paperwork).
Motion passed.

Bonnie Springer excused herself and Steven Jaume took over chairing the FCC meeting. Mike Larsen took over taking the minutes.

WGST Change of Major and Minor (Add Existing Courses)
Some discussion regarding the degree to which these special/variable topics fall under the purview of the task report's current efforts. Since the "regular" courses included among these courses for approval are all repeatable, they would fall under the purview of the task force's efforts.
Motion to approve.
Motion passed (unopposed).

EDCL Change of Major
Motion to approve.
Motion passed (unopposed).

New courses EXSC 433, 498, 320, and Change of Program.
Extensive discussion associated with the nature of how special topics would transition into "regular" courses as the program moves forward.
A request for a motion to approve was made, but no motion was put forth.
Motion was made to table. (Discussion preceeded a seconding).
Motion made to split proposal into sub-proposals. (PR changes must be made at this meeting).
Sub-issue: Change of prereqs asociated with EXSC 433.
Motion made to approve EXSC prereq changes.
Motion passed (unopposed).
Sub-issue 498/320.
A lengthy discussion followed, most of a general nature regarding these two proposals.
Through discussion, it became apparent that the intent of the proposal as interpreted by the proposers (to replace the existing capstone course with a list of 4 courses -- each of which is already an elective in the program and can serve as a capstone experience, and one of which would now be required) did not match the documents that the committee had reviewed.
Motion made by substitute chair: "A new change of program form would be put forth that would still remove 498 but would also state that in the electives that one of the four classes that are currently listed as a directed elective would be required to serve as a capstone class.]
(Motion abandoned).
Motion made "Move on to the next item of the agenda and that the remaining two proposals are to be tabled until the next meeting."
Motion seconded and passed unopposed.

HTMT 444 Course Change and Change an existing Minor
Motion to approve.
Motion passed (unopposed).

New Courses BIOL 343/343L and Changes to Majors

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

BIOL 423 and associated changes of major and minor.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

BIOL 359 and changes to associated majors and minors.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

AAST 280 and 350 with change of major and minor.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

MGMT 342 with change of major forms.

<MGMT and MKTG proposals were accidentally scanned as a single item, instead of two separate proposals. On the agenda, they were listed together, but since they came in separately, we treated them as separate proposals in the meeting).

Confirmed that the stated cost is limited to one expense per course, not one expense per student. Also confirmed that this cost is covered by the department. Discussion also confirmed that only junior standing (and no other introductory coursework) is needed.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

MKTG 334/337/345 Course/Program Change Proposal

Following FCC policy, was tabled since no representative for the proposal was present.

Hispanic Studies Change of Program proposal, including new courses and major revisions.

Extensive discussion regarding the rather unorthodox form of the proposed curriculum (where nearly half of the major's required credits can be acquired in special topics/variable topics-type courses. Concerns and discussion primarily based around the degree to which this may remove future faculty oversight of the course content and the program as a whole.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (one noted opposition vote).

JWST 220 and change of program forms.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

New Courses MATH 460 and 461 and Change of Majors and Minors

Nobody on the committee seemed aware of this proposal until it hit the agenda. Given that the representative had waited nearly two hours, however, the committee attempted to do a quick evaluation.

It was verbally communicated that both proposed courses were previously offered as special topics courses, and they were being proposed to be added as electives to several appropriate degree programs.

Motion to approve.

Motion passed (unopposed).

Report from special task force:

Brief written report disseminated with hardcopy of agenda to committee members. Task force plans to present concrete proposals regarding their charge at the next FCC meeting.

Approval of minutes from November 14, 2014 FCC meeting.

Approved by general informal consensus.

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