

Faculty Curriculum Committee Minutes
Friday, March 16, 2018
Stern room 201

Present: Chad Galuska (co-chair), Andrew Przeworski (secretary), Tom Carroll, Doug Friedman, Nenad Radakovic, Wayne Smith

Registrar's Office: Mary Bergstrom, Franklin Czwazka, Jerry Mackeldon, Julie Dahl

Academic Affairs: Lynn Cherry

Presentation of the Agenda (Galuska)

Old Business

1. We approved the minutes from the February meeting.
2. Our February proposals all passed the Senate.
3. Chair's report: still need to discuss special topics courses, both the 3-in-5 proposal today, and broader policy at the April meeting.
4. PRST (Gibbison)
Postponed until later in the meeting, as no representative of BPS was present at the time.

New Business

1. ANTH (Burkett)
Discussion: none
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
2. ARTS (Duval)
Discussion: question about the claim that the proposal has no associated costs.
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
3. PRST (Gibbison)
Discussion: originally, the existing core was completely being replaced with a new core. Now, they're keeping some of the existing core courses, as electives. Does that create redundancy that leads to student receiving credit twice for the same content? BPS feels that the new courses are sufficiently distinct. Question about how the change to the core will affect the concentrations. The core isn't meant to be preparation for the concentrations.
Modifications: the prerequisites aren't currently uniform in the new courses. Two of the course deactivations have been withdrawn.
Decision: approved

4. CHEM (Riggs-Gelasco)
Discussion: question about the discrepancy between the prerequisites on the form and on the syllabus. The form is correct.
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
5. CITA (Manaris and van Delden)
Discussion: question about the core of the gaming concentration being different from the core of the other concentrations. There's disagreement between the RO and Lynn about whether this is an issue. Various options are discussed, none of which seems to solve the problem.
Modifications: CSCI will work on the gaming concentration some more
Decision: we approved the new courses, but tabled the new concentration
6. LING (Viñas de Puig)
Discussion: none
Modifications: students won't be able to take both TEDU 325 and EDEE 325
Decision: approved
7. INFM (Starr)
Discussion: none
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
8. ENGL (Baker)
Discussion: discussion about various ways to make clear that 466 doesn't double count as an elective and capstone. They'll need to eventually alter the prerequisites on 495 to allow minors into the course.
Modifications: there should be wording preventing ENGL 466 from counting as both an elective and a capstone. The 498 syllabus needs to spell out the grading scale.
Decision: Approved pending changes to the 498 syllabus.
9. NSCI (Triblehorn)
Discussion: question about whether there needs to be a restriction on PHYS 499's content being related to neuroscience.
Modifications: they'll remove PHYS 499 from the explicit options, and let it fall under the "other Bachelor's Essay courses may count..."
Decision: approved
10. PSYC (Galuska, Hubel)
Discussion: none
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
11. DANC (McLaine)
Discussion: lengthy discussion about the nature of the DANC courses, and the procedural aspects of making this proposed change.
Modifications: none

- Decision: We tabled the 8-hour discussion, so we can craft a motion to send to Standards. We support the change to the 14-hour cap, and will send it to Standards for their approval. We table the new course proposal, as it's dependent on what Standards decides to do to the 14-hour cap.
12. EDFS (Ashworth, Perkins)

Discussion: discussion about the content and expectations of EDFS 301, and whether it warrants 2 credit hours.
Modifications: they're going to revise the 301 syllabus some more
Decision: we tabled the 301 proposal, but approved the rest of the proposals
 13. INTL (Friedman, Pehl)

Discussion: there will be two ST courses (one existing, one new), for different Gen Ed distributions.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved
 14. RELS (Bjerken)

Discussion: none
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal. We're going to add a note that RELS 381 can't count as the 300-level elective.
Decision: approved
 15. SOST (Eichelberger)

Discussion: some discussion about technicalities
Modifications: the memo about HONS 175 has been withdrawn
Decision: approved
 16. MATH (Mignone)

Discussion: question about a teach-out plan for the BA.
Modifications: prior to the meeting, we received some minor modifications to the proposal
Decision: approved
 17. HONS (Folds-Bennett, Meyer-Bernstein)

Discussion: overview of the proposal. Question about whether the colloquia are ST, VT, or something else. Different ones are of different types. Question about the criteria for being included in the Foundation courses. They have no departmental prerequisites. Colloquia will potentially be linked in ways that wasn't possible before.
Modifications: there were a few modifications proposed by the RO prior to the meeting
Decision: approved
 18. 3-in-5 rule

Discussion: we should find the current actual policy on this, and start there.
Modifications: we'll work on it some more before the April meeting.
Decision: tabled