

Minutes for University Curriculum Committee meeting of March 2, 2011

Present (alphabetically by department):

Adams, Don	Chair
Feder, Kenneth	Anthropology
Butler, Jerry	Art
Jackson, Mark (alternate)	Biology
Dobbs-McAuliffe, Betsy	Biomolecular Sciences
Watton, Steve	Chemistry & Biochemistry
Pudlinski, Chris	Communication
King, Cherie	Counseling & Family Therapy
Simmons, Reginald	Criminology & Criminal Justice
Mijid, Nara	Economics
Vasko, Thomas	Engineering
Karpuk, Paul	English
Frank, Lisa	Finance
Williams, Louise	History
Chasse, Emily	Librarians
Miller, Dan	Management & Organization
Lee-Partridge, Joo-Eng	Management Information Systems
Thamma, Ravindra (alternate)	Manufacturing & Construction Management
Miller, Adele	Mathematical Sciences
Kazecki, Jakub	Modern Languages
Parr, Carlotta	Music
King, Audra	Philosophy
Bishop, Jan	Physical Education & Human Performance
Smith, Robbin	Political Science
Perdue, Lauren	Psychology
Sanders, Delia	Social Work
Erdmans, Mary	Sociology
Adair, Stephen (alternate/guest)	Sociology
Nicoll-Senft, Joan	Special Education
Siragusa, Sheila	Theatre
Wolff, Robert	Arts & Sciences Dean's office

Guests:

Adams, Abigail	Anthropology / Community Engagement
Fallahi, Carolyn	Psychology

I. The committee approved the minutes of the December 1 main meeting, with the following correction: Delia Sanders, Social Work, was present at the meeting.

II. Announcements

A. *Minor Changes*

2. The prerequisite for LAW 250 was changed from "30 credits completed before beginning course work" to "sophomore standing or higher" because sophomores with 26 credits were being denied admission to the course.

IV. The **Consent Agenda** was passed with the following clarifications and points of information. Items noted as tabled by any subcommittee will roll over to the next round of meetings.

Old Business

History

4. Graduate Program Revision: Master of Arts in History

The program will no longer require foreign language proficiency, but students should be aware that it may be necessary for certain research subjects.

New Business

Anthropology

9. *Undergraduate Program Addition: Minor in Community Engagement*

The courses listed constitute a "starter" program. Departments with other offerings they deem appropriate for inclusion in the program are encouraged to contact either Abigail Adams or Robbin Smith.

Biology

10-14. The program revisions are all intended solely to incorporate the new course, BIO 469 Entomology, which is being added as per agenda item 10.

Biomolecular Sciences

14-15. The lab (now BMS 308) is being split off from the course (BMS 306).

16. The change in BMS 490 from 3-4 to 1-4 credits is intended to accommodate winter session offerings for fewer credits.

Engineering

21-24. The program revisions all make adjustments to incorporate ENGR 290, a writing course specific to the discipline, as is also being done in Social Work.

First-Year Seminar

34. *Re: the assignment of Study Area IV credit to FYS 104: The Undead Ate My Science Homework: Zombies and 20th Century Science, it was maintained that zombies belong in the Natural Sciences (Study Area IV).*

Manufacturing and Construction Management

35-48. The course and program additions in Robotics proceed concomitantly with phasing out of the old Electro-Mechanical Technology program.

41. The School of Engineering & Technology has agreed to cover costs of any additional Math sections that may be necessitated by creation of ROBO 370 (for which MATH 226 is a prerequisite), though additional sections will probably not be

needed.

Mathematics

50, 54, 58. These items relate to the tutoring line, MATH 211, 311, 411. They are intended to insure some quality control re: tutoring ability before students proceed to tutoring at higher levels.

Modern Languages

Many of these changes are intended to render uniform / standardize numbers and titles across the languages so that students have a clearer idea of how to progress to higher levels of language study.

91. Major in Spanish, B.A. (Specialization in Inter-University B.A., Major in Spanish)

93. Major in Spanish, B.S. (Certifiable for secondary teaching - Specialization in Inter-University B.S., Major in Spanish)

This really is a substantive revision which creates a specialization inside the B.A. and B.S. (certifiable for secondary teaching). For either of these programs the student completes 12 credits at a Spanish-speaking partner institution abroad for one semester, listed as a Specialization in Inter-University Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures.

Music

94-135. The changes in prerequisites for many courses to establish that students must have minimum C- or higher in the prerequisite course (C or B- in some exceptional cases) are intended to ensure quality control in performance, so that students can succeed in the higher-level courses.

Philosophy

136. Because Introduction to Modern Logic is really a formal mathematics course, it is being reclassified in Skill Area II which also necessitates a course number change from PHIL 220 to PHIL 221.

139. Minor in Social Justice

The list of courses is a "starter" list and other departments are encouraged to suggest inclusion of their offerings which they consider appropriate for this program, for instance Criminology or Political Science.

Social Work

146-147. These items add SW 225 Writing for the Social Work Profession and change B.A. in Social Work to incorporate it as a major requirement, parallel to the writing for the discipline course, ENGR 290, created in Engineering.

Sociology

150. Major in Sociology, B.A.

The revision tweaks the program to add two new courses.

V. **Agenda.** These items were passed with the following clarifications and points of information. Items noted as tabled by any subcommittee will roll over to the next round of meetings.

B. New Business

English

25-28. The change in the language of prerequisites from " ... , or permission of instructor" to " ... , except by permission of instructor" as amended in subcommittee was confirmed. In the course description for ENG 492, the following sentence (in both the current and proposed descriptions) was deleted: "Recommended for secondary teachers and reading specialists."

Mathematics

155-156. Skill Area II credit is reaffirmed for MATH 113 and 213. These items had been inadvertently left off the General Education Subcommittee agenda.

59. Under MATH 412, there was some discussion of the fact that the final sentence of the description is redundant: "This course is for teacher certification only and graduate credit will not be granted." The prerequisites already state that the course is "open only for students seeking elementary certification." Nevertheless, it was felt that the final sentence of the description should be retained for emphasis.

Music

161. *The course description for MUS 335 is being revised to parallel the descriptions for other music history courses.*

Theatre

151. *Undergraduate Program Revision: Major in Theatre with Specialization in Performance, B.F.A.*

The revision in this program is being undertaken to move the emphasis on Dance to here from the major program listed in agenda item 152.

C. Extraordinary Additions**Modern Languages**

165. *Undergraduate Program Revision: Major in French, B.S. (Certifiable for secondary teaching)*

This program revision updates course numbers and titles to reflect current changes.

Music

166. *The change in cycling of MUS 262 could otherwise go through as a minor change but it appears elsewhere on the agenda.*

Respectfully submitted,

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