

CLASS Subcommittee – Curriculum Committee Minutes

November 9, 2016

3:15 Vance 105

Present: Don Adams (CLASS dean rep., philo.); Laura Bowman (Psych. Sci.); Daniel D'Addio (Music); Michelle Kusaila (Accounting); Carlos Liard (Econ.); Vivian Martin (Jrn); Kate McGrath (History); Beth Merenstein (Chair, Soc.); Mary Anne Nunn (English); Shizuko Tomoda (MLD); William Watkins (Crim.); Leanne Zalewski (Art)

Guest: Nancy Hoffman (SEPS)

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ W. Watkins

Vote: Approved unanimously

B. Art Education, BSED K-12

1. L. Zalewski and N. Hoffman discussed the changes to get to 120. The only change is the modification of EDF 415 to 215. It is at 119 credits.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ L. Bowman

Vote: Approved unanimously

C. French BSED for Secondary

1. S. Tomoda discussed the change of EDF 415 to 215. She also discussed the removal of the choice of LING 300 or ML 490. Students will now be required to take ML 490, as LING 300 is focused on younger learners.

2. M.A. Nunn notes that Linguistics was not informed. M.A. Nunn requests this to be moved to main meeting to allow Linguistics to be consulted. It will be moved to full Curriculum.

3. This applies to French, Spanish, and Italian BSEDs as well. Motion to move all 3 to main meeting.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ B. Merenstein

Vote: Approved unanimously

D. Geography BSED for Elementary

1. No representative from Geography is present. EDF 415 is moving to 215. They also reorganized their electives and encumber courses for double-counting in General Education.

2. D. Adams notes mistake in catalog that minor is required. This is a mistake. They also removed courses that no longer teach. He suggests to defer to SEPS, especially since there is a deadline.

Motion: C. Liard/M.A. Nunn
Vote: Approved unanimously

E. History, BSED for Elementary

1. K. McGrath discussed the changes to the program to get to 120. There are standard changes to the professional program. There were reductions in European, Non-Western, and electives. Students will take a new 401: U.S. History for Teachers, and they will be required to take PS 110 and GEOG 110. The overall 400-level credits needed are reduced to 9.

2. C. Liard asked about the effect of just taking PS and GEOG on Praxis II. There was the discussion of creating new general education courses for all elementary ed majors to address this.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ V. Martin
Vote: Approved unanimously

F. History, BSED for Secondary

1. K. McGrath discussed the changes to the program. There were reductions in the electives and ANTH 140 and SOC 110 were deleted. Students will also have to take 401.

2. B. Merenstein raised an objection to the removal of all behavioral science courses from the major, especially since EDF 215 will take one of those Gen Ed slots. There was another discussion about the new to address this long-term.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/V. Martin
Vote: Approved unanimously

G. Music, BSED PK-12

A. D. D'Addio discussed the difficulties of getting down to 120; it is at 124. The only way to reduce this is to cheap students. Our ensembles are 1 credit, while others are .5 credit for the same amount of work. WCSU also gives less credit for comparable courses. It is a difficult program because students are certified for instruments and choral for PK-12.

B. N. Hoffman discussed process of reduction. EDF 415-215. There was also double-counting of the music ensembles in SA1. They are not current gen ed courses.

C. D. Adams brought up the need for review by Gen Ed subcommittee. M.A. Nunn asks for clarification: A maximum of 3 credits among the choices. This would allow non-majors to participate in MUS 144: Marching Band, as majors do it as part of MUS 142: Band. M.A. Nunn notes that there needs to be language that can only double-counted for 3 credits.

D. C. Liard asked why can't double-count 6 credits. There is not any place for this. They still need to take a literature course. M.A. Nunn comments that we don't count more in any other program.

Motion: C. Liard/ M.A. Nunn

Vote: Approved unanimously

H. HIST 401

1. K. McGrath discussed the need for this course to make sure all History BSED students have both halves of U.S. history. It will also allow them to get more pedagogy development.

Motion: L. Bowman/ M.A. Nunn

Vote: Approved unanimously

I. HIST 497-> 402

1. K. McGrath discussed the problems with the current numbering of our special topics course. This would just renumber 497 to 402.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ V. Martin

Vote: Approved unanimously

J. BA History

1. K. McGrath discussed that 301 and 490 were changed to 4-credit courses last spring and a 1-credit HIST 101 was added. This adjusts the B.A. to reflect this by eliminating one free elective.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ L. Bowman

Vote: Approved unanimously

K. History Minor

1. K. McGrath explains the rationale for removing HIST 301 from the minor.

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ L. Bowman

Vote: Approved unanimously

L. MUS 101 Practium in Music Education

1. D. D'Addio discussed that they wish to restrict it to music education majors or with permission of instructor. It's an oversight

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ L. Bowman

Vote: Approved unanimously

M. MUS 141, 142, 143, 144

1. Motion to defer to Gen Ed committee

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ K. McGrath

Vote: Approved unanimously

N. MUS 147, 148, 149

1. Motion to defer to Gen Ed committee

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ V. Martin

Vote: Approved unanimously

O. Music, B.A.

1. They will be allowed to double-count 3 credits of Gen Ed to bring it down to 120.

Motion to defer to Gen Ed

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ L. Bowman

Vote: Approved unanimously

P. Official Certification Program in Public Relations/Promotions

1. These are graduate programs. Motion to defer to Grad

Motion: L. Bowman/ V. Martin

Vote: Approved unanimously

Q. REL 356: Religion, Philosophy, Culture

1. D. Adams explained that a new faculty member is teaching it. He wishes to reorder the course title to emphasize Religion and fix the grammar of “philosophically” to “philosophical.”

Motion: M.A. Nunn/ V. Martin

Vote: Approved unanimously

R. 4-Credit Policy Discussion

A. D. Adams discussed the only change was to include a link to implementation policy. The Senate has created an Online Learning Committee, and you need to get their approval for any online components to the conversion to 4 credits.

Motion: V. Martin/ M.A. Nunn

Vote: Approved unanimously

M.A. Nunn moved to adjure at 4:20 pm.