

Minutes of the University Curriculum Committee of the Faculty Senate for November 17, 2006

Members Present

<input type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Brantley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Holleran	<input type="checkbox"/> Carl Popelka	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Persico, Grad. Studies
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Buttles	<input type="checkbox"/> Lynn Jermal	<input type="checkbox"/> Charles Hurt, Provost	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebecca Peine, Student
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Morgan Clifford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Linwick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yunge Dutton, Registrar's Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Schultz, Student
<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Crotser	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lowell McCann	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Pillow, Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Craig Witte, Student

Call to Order: Lowell McCann called the meeting to order at 3:36 pm.

Seating of Substitutes: None

Invited Guests: Margaret Swanson

Approval of Minutes for the November 3, 2006 meeting.

Approved

Chair's Report:

New student members of the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) were introduced; namely, Rebecca Peine, Jason Schultz, and Craig Witte.

The Chair of the University Curriculum Committee indicated that he had approved the following:

1. ENGL/WMST 443/463
change in prerequisites only
course sent to Academic Program and Policy Committee for approval of American-Cultural-Diversity designation
2. Change to the Psychology Major
major will no longer require students to take Psychology Colloquium (PSYC 110)
3. FILM/SCTA 200
Path I notification regarding this course was sent to the General Education Committee
4. ENGL 102
Path II approval of a change in the catalog description for this course
notification of Path II approval was sent to the General Education Committee
5. FILM/SCTA 248
no changes in this course
course sent to Academic Program and Policy Committee for approval of American-Cultural-Diversity designation
6. HEAL 354
change in prerequisites only
7. PHYS 700, PHYS 701, PHYS 704
prerequisite change in all courses
title change (addition of words) PHYS 701

Old Business:

None

New Business:**SCTA 294 Sophomore Seminar: Drama Theory and Theatre Research**

A motion was made to receive, review and record SCTA 294 (Tim Holleran/Morgan Clifford). Margaret Swanson (invited guest) noted that theatre majors currently take a speech seminar with a focus on research techniques in the social sciences. Swanson indicated that the proposed course would "pull out" the dramaturgy content of this speech seminar, and would supplement it with content pertaining to research and writing within the context of dramaturgy. Lowell McCann (UCC Chair) apprised committee members that Swanson had consulted with the English Department about the proposed course, and the English Department had no duplication-related objections. A discussion ensued regarding the possible addition of prerequisites-- but both Swanson and committee members concluded that such an addition was unnecessary. Apropos catalog description: "S" in catalog description will be changed to "Sp" under term(s) offered. The motion to approve the course carried unanimously.

GEOL 269 Environmental Geology

McCann explained (reviewed) the paths to approval for General Education courses as follows. Existing courses with no changes are eligible for Path I approval. Existing courses with significant, but not substantive changes, are eligible for Path II approval. Examples of "significant changes" would include changes in title, description, or prerequisites; examples of "substantive changes" would include changes in content or credits. Subsequent to McCann's explanation, a Path II - approval motion was made (Craig Witte/Morgan Clifford). Specifically, Witte moved (Clifford seconded) to approve the expansion of GEOL 269 from 2 to 3 credits, and send the course to the General Education Committee for consideration as a course listed under the Global Perspectives (G) designation. McCann noted a potential obstacle to approval (i.e., the absence of a letter from Geography regarding possible overlap with one of its courses)-- but also noted that this obstacle had already been addressed, inasmuch as the UCC had previously approved GEOL 269. Thus, the Path II - approval motion carried.

McCann informed the committee of the status of its recommendations regarding the course approval process. The committee then progressed to a discussion of possible changes to (a) the course proposal form, and (b) the transmittal form. McCann will make the revisions suggested by committee members, and bring revised course-proposal and transmittal forms to the December 1, 2006 meeting of the UCC for approval.

Tim Holleran moved and Morgan Clifford seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:25pm. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Daniel Linwick.