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Minutes

Thursday, January 21, 2010

Academic Affairs Conference Room, FDHL

Present: Theresa Wadkins, Roger Davis, Janet Lear, Greg Anderson, Debbie Bridges, Kim Schipporeit, Kim Elliott, Martha Kruse, Derrick Burbul, Sylvia Asay, George Lawson, Jane Ziebarth-Bovill, John Lawless.

Absent: Cliff Summar

Guest: Sherri Harms, Chair CSIS; Carol Lilly, Director, International Studies

Meeting began at 3:30pm.

1. Modify Agenda to Allow for Guest Schedule

Motion (Anderson/Lawson) to modify agenda to advance items to accommodate guests. **Motion passed.**

2. Family Studies Major:

The committee returned to #27 Family Studies proposal which would create a 39 hour major. Motion (Lear/Lawson) to Approve.

Discussion focused upon the University limit of 36 hours for a major. The request is driven by outside certification guidelines. There appears to be some flexibility with a one-course elective option that would allow students to become certified. Concerns raised about opening door if major limit not adhered to. Only one major over 36, which is Music, but that is only one hour rather than a course. If Comprehensive is 42 should department look to that rather than an expanded major. Questions raised about why definition of major at 36 and whether faculty/departments would wish to maintain limit, and what would grounds be for exceptions.

Motion to approve failed on split vote.

Discussion focuses on need for better sense of faculty/department perspective on 36 hour major and issue of exceptions. Motion (Davis/Anderson) to have Chair poll college education policy committees, departments and Faculty Senate for feedback.

Motion to have chair gather feedback is approved.

3. Cyber Crime:

#146: CSIS 188 Cyber Crime. Concern of duplication of a CJ course on same topic. Sherri Harms explained that course is substantially different from CJ course. This will be a portal course, and there have been contacts and discussion with CJ. Motion (Lawson/Anderson) to approve #146.

Motion to approve #146 passed.

4. International Studies:

#141 and #143: International Studies Program Major and Minor revisions. Carried

over from last meeting. Director Carol Lilly available to answer questions. No questions or discussion. Motion (Schipporeit/Davis) to approve.

Motion to approve IS revisions passed.

5. Sociology Holocaust Course:

#81: SOC 340 named and content changed from Sociology of Holocaust to The Holocaust. Concerns about duplication with History answered as two departments have been in contact and no problems apparent. Motion (Davis/Anderson) to approve.

Motion to approve #81 passed.

6. ITEC Series:

Motion (Davis/Lear) to consider #135 through #140. Noted that #137 and #138 are comprehensive majors which have hour requirements at 75 and 73 hours, while maximum number of credits for comprehensive major is 62. Exception to rule allowed in past but it is appropriate to consider review of exception. Friendly amendment to motion to separate #137 and #138 for discussion. **Motion to separate #137 and #138 passed.**

Motion (Anderson/Watkins) to ask ITEC to come before full committee to review and explain rationale for extended hours for comprehensive major in #137 and #138.

Motion to ask ITEC to come to AA meeting to explain #137 and #138 passed.

Motion (Lear/Zeibarth-Bovill) to approve #135, #136, #139, and #140.

Motion to approve #135, #136, #139 and #140 passed.

7. BACC Course Alternations

Motion (Lear/Ziebarth-Bovill) to approve #133 and #134. No discussion.

Motion to approve #134 and #35 passed.

8. Paris and Berlin:

#141 FORL 188. It was noted that the description of this FORL course indicates that the course is taught entirely in English and there do not seem to be any expectations that the students engage a foreign language. Motion (Davis/Anderson) to approve #141.

Motion to approve #141 passed.

9. Biology:

Motion (Lawson/Lear) to approve #144 and #145.

Motion to approve #144 and #145 passed.

10. Physics:

Motion (Lear/Ziebarth-Bovill) to approve #147 through #149.

Motion to approve #147 through #149 passed.

11. Social Work:

Motion (Schipporeit /Ziebarth-Bovill) to approve #150 and #151.

Motion to approve #150 and #151 passed.

Next Meetings:

AA Subcommittee Meeting: Wednesday, February 10.

AA Full Meeting: Thursday, February 18.

Both meetings at 3:30pm in the Academic Affairs Room, FDHL.

Committee adjourned at 4:50pm

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Davis, Secretary

2009-10 ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

January 21, 2010

NUMBER, REQUEST, LEVEL, SPECIFIC REQUEST, DEGREE/COURSE, PROGRAM/COURSE,
TITLE, DEPT, COL, REASON

#27, Alter, Program, BS, Family Studies, FSID, B&T, These changes will allow the Family Studies Program to fully align with the degree requirements for the Certified Family Life Education certification of the National Council on Family Relations. FSID 280 is not required and is being fulfilled in other minors. FSID 362 Families and Social Policy is required (previously only optional) and FSID 404 is adding an ethics component with additional hours. These are both required courses for our certification.

#81, Alter, Course, Title, Prerequisite, and Course Description, SOC 340, Sociology of the Holocaust, SOC, NSS, New title more appropriate for multidisciplinary capstone course. New Title: The Holocaust. Changing prerequisite from "none" to "Open to juniors, seniors and students within 6 hours of completion of their General Studies program."

#133, Alter, Course, Prerequisite, BACC 352, Cost Accounting, BACC, B&T, There is only one small portion of the class that assumed some knowledge of regression. Current instructor no longer finds that necessary. Changing prerequisite from "BACC 251, BMGT 233" to "BACC 251."

#134, Alter, Course, Prerequisite, BACC 391, Accounting Information Systems, BACC, B&T, Required skills are minimal compared to those tested on the computer skills exams. Changing prerequisite from "BACC 251, passing score on Business Computer Proficiency Examination" to "BACC 251."

#135, Alter, Course, Inactivate, ITEC 351, Automated Devices and Systems, ITEC, B&T, A new course ITEC 352 Purchasing for Wholesale Distribution has been developed to replace ITEC 351. Program change forms are being routed through Academic Affairs requesting that ITEC 352 replace ITEC 351.

#136, Create, Course, ITEC 352, Purchasing for Wholesale Distribution, ITEC, B&T, The Industrial Distribution Advisory Council has requested the program be strengthened by including an emphasis on purchasing. Purchasing is one of the major components of the industrial distributor. The distribution

model is threefold, (1) purchasing a product that is marketable, (2) warehousing the product economically, and (3) selling product in a profitable manner. The industrial distribution degree has focused primarily on the last two segments of the business, warehousing and selling. Adding the purchasing component will strengthen the curriculum, thus allowing students to understand the full distribution model.

#137, Alter, Program, BS, Construction Management Comprehensive, ITEC, B&T, Request is to remove ITEC 211 from the program as a recommended course in the Personal Development category for General Studies. Course number and title have changed and course is now a portal course. A portal course cannot be required or recommended.

#138, Alter, Program, BS, Industrial Distribution Comprehensive, ITEC, B&T, The program is being altered to drop an outdated course (ITEC 351, Automated Devices and Systems) and add a new course essential to the Industrial Distribution program (ITEC 352, Purchasing for Wholesale Distribution). The Industrial Distribution Advisory Council has requested the program be strengthened by including an emphasis upon purchasing.

#139, Alter, Program, BS, Industrial Technology, ITEC, B&T, 1. The program is being altered to drop an outdated course (ITEC 351, Automated Devices and Systems) and add a new course essential to the Industrial Distribution program (ITEC 352, Purchasing for Wholesale Distribution). The Industrial Distribution Advisory Council has requested the program be strengthened by including an emphasis upon purchasing. 2. Request is to remove ITEC 211 from the program as a recommended course in the Personal Development category for General Studies. Course number and title have changed and course is now a portal course. A portal course cannot be required or recommended.

#140, Alter, Program, Minor, Industrial Technology Minor, ITEC, B&T, The program is being altered to drop an outdated course (ITEC 351, Automated Devices and Systems) and add a new course essential to the Industrial Distribution program (ITEC 352, Purchasing for Wholesale Distribution). The Industrial Distribution Advisory Council has requested the program be strengthened by including an emphasis upon purchasing.

#141, Create, Course, FORL 188, Paris and Berlin: Stories of Two Great Cities, FORL, FAH, Proposal of Portal course - Modern Languages department.

#142, Alter, Program, BA, International Studies, INTS, FAH, The goal of the revised program is to increase the coherence of the program so that graduating students can say with confidence that they have mastered a particular body of knowledge. We also have made the program more inclusive of departments campus wide and ensured that it is assessable while maintaining its flexibility.

#143, Alter, Program, Minor, International Studies, INTS, FAH, The goal of the revision is to bring it into consistency with the revised major and to increase the upper division hours within the minor.

#144, Alter, Course, Credit Hours, BIOL 468, Parasitology, BIOL, NSS, We are separating the lecture and lab portions into Stand-alone offerings.

#145, Create, Course, BIOL 468L, Parasitology Laboratory, BIOL, NSS, We are separating the current BIOL 468 lecture and lab offering into stand-alone lecture and lab offerings.

#146, Create, Course, CSIS 188, Cyber Crime, CSIS, NSS, New portal.

#147, Alter, Course, Number, Title, Prerequisite, Credit Hours, PHYS 233, Physics of Sound, PHYS, NSS, New class proposed for General Studies DISTRIBUTION in Natural Science. Reactivate course with changes. New Number: PHYS 155. New Title: Science of Sound and Music. New Prerequisite: Math 102, or higher Co-Requirement: PHYS 155L. Credit hours from 4 to 3.

#148, Create, Course, PHYS 155L, Science of Sound and Music Laboratory, PHYS, NSS, To accompany proposed PHYS 155.

#149, Create, Course, PHYS 435, Solid State Physics, PHYS, NSS, New course for physics department with a goal to make our program competitive with other programs from peer/competitor institutions.

#150, Create, Course, SOWK 430, Violence Across the Lifespan, SOWK, NSS, The course will enhance the curriculum and professional preparation of students while filling a gap in existing course offerings for our students. Additionally, it will address the focus of our accrediting body on social and economic justice.

#151, Alter, Course, Inactivate, SOWK 474, Rural Social Work, SOWK, NSS, The course hasn't been offered for many years (over ten). Content from that course has been integrated as modules in various courses.