

Curriculum Committee
May 2, 2024
Minutes

Present: Paul Ballard, Sayantani Mukherjee, Erika Pazian, Lacy Ferrell, Tim Sorey, Benjamin White, Lizzie Brown, Evelyn Aguiar, Susan Merrill, Yoshiko Takahashi, Rachel Kirk, Elvin Delgado, Selena Castro, Mike Gimlin, Kathryn Martell, Jenny Dechaine-Berkas

Absent: Hideki Takei, Fabio Ambrosio, Kurt Kirstein, CB dean representative, Library dean representative

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

Agenda – Ben asked to add an item after #6 Curriculog forms feedback. #8 is chair-elect for 24-25. #10 put after modality definitions. Agenda approved as amended.

April 18, 2024, minutes were approved.

Chair report – Micro-credentials presentation was pulled from the Senate agenda yesterday. They had hoped to fast track beta testing of micro-credential to be done without a formal curriculum process. They will be coming back to the committee and looking at current policy to find ways that a micro-credential could be included in policy. The three curriculum programs were approved. Next meeting is on May 16th. This during SOURCE. Chair-elect nominations.

Curriculog Forms – No specific feedback on changes.

Approval Log

Paul moved to approve the April 18, 2024 Curriculum Summary Log. Erika seconded and motion was approved

Review Log

Course Changes

#2 ELM 493 Competency Development and Differentiation – Short course title abbreviation Competency Dev/ Differntiation this looks like a misspelling. Just need to remove the space and spell differentiation correctly. The course outcomes were last changed in 2022, but they utilize a lot of identify, however the table was changed so should be okay to provide feedback. Assessments all seem like the same activity for all of the outcomes. Susan made the change to the short title. Sayantani

Lizzie moved to send out the course changes for campus review. Lacy seconded and motion passed.

New program

#3 Public Relations Minor – There is a comment made by Mike G that this proposal shouldn't move forward until changes were made to COM 370, 371, 470, 472, 473, 481, 487. COM 481 couldn't find any

changes to this course; the others have gone through. Mike G indicated that 481 is okay without being updated.

#4 Secondary Education BAEd – Paul indicated that this came up to move this to a major during RCM. None of the other universities have a degree in secondary education. K-12 students take these courses as well. Confusion if this is replacing the professional education program. Mike G this is too large to be any other degree type. This would be on par with Science and Math Education which has a degree. Jenny indicated there are several reasons. Data reason that it doesn't show up in SCH counts or majors across the university. A lot of students ask why it is not a major. You cannot graduate with this degree alone.

Lacy moved to send new programs out for campus review. Paul seconded and motion was approved.

Program Delete or Reserve

#1 Comparative Religion Major, BA (50 or 60 credits) - This proposal came in after the deadline but would like it to be effective Fall 2024.

Lizzie moved to send the program delete or reserve proposal out for campus review. Lacy seconded and motion was approved.

Procedure Manual

The committee reviewed the procedures manual. Language was added on the election of chair-elect.

3.3 Chair-Elect will serve as committee chair in absence of the committee chair. If the chair-elect is unable to serve as committee chair, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee will appoint an interim committee chair for the remainder of the academic year.

3.4 The Chair-Elect will discuss and negotiate a division of responsibilities for the year with committee chair at the beginning of their term (see Appendix A for examples). ~~They will serve as committee chair in absence of the committee chair. If the chair-elect is unable to serve as committee chair, the Faculty Senate Executive Committee will appoint an interim committee chair for the remainder of the academic year.~~

Will continue working on this at the next meeting and be prepared to vote on the final language.

Chair-elect for 24-25 – Ben asked committee members to think about being chair-elect for next year. Will need to have someone prior to the last meeting in June.

Draft of Annual report – Ben went through the draft annual report to Faculty Senate that is due May 15th. The committee offered some additions for recommendations for future charges and committee successes. Ben will keep working on the report and will send out an email to committee when he has the report in final draft form.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.