

Curriculum Committee
November 4, 2021
Minutes

Present: Julie Bonner, Hongtao Dang, Sayantani Mukherjee, Jeff Dippmann, Arne Leitert, Benjamin White, Trista Drake-Jones, Coco Wu, Duane Dowd, Sydney Thompson, Mike Gimlin, and Kathryn Martell

Absent: Clem Ehoff, Jason Dormady, and Wendy Spacek, Kurt Kirstein, Mark Meister, and Mark Harrod

Guest(s): Arturo Torres

Meeting was called to order at 3:11 p.m.

Jeff indicated he will be adding several items to the agenda after the November 4th review log. Sayantani Mukherjee moved to approve the changes to the agenda. Julie seconded and the motion was approved.

Julie moved to approve the October 21, 2021 minutes. Sayantani seconded and motion was approved.

Syantani moved to approve the November 4, 2021 approval log. Julie seconded and motion was approved. Course Change: ADMG 689 Capstone Written Project; IT 689 Capstone Written Project; NUTR 343 Foods and Nutrition Professionalism; NUTR 344 Medical Nutrition Therapy I; NUTR 443 Nutrition and Metabolism; NUTR 448 Food Service Systems Management; SCED 305 The Story of Science; STP 201 Inquiry Approaches to Teaching; STP 202 Inquiry Based Lesson Design; STP 300 Inquiry Approaches to Teaching and Lesson Design; New Courses: ELEM 470 Since Time Immemorial Curriculum Seminar; GEOL 598 Special Topics: Mineral Resources and the Environment; PHIL 318 Ethics for Big Data and Tech; PSY 543 Social Cognition; Program Changes: Food Science and Nutrition BS, Dietetics Specialization; Food Science and Nutrition BS, Foods and Nutrition Specialization; Food Science and Nutrition Core; New Programs: IT Sustainability Minor or Certificate.

Review Log

Course change
ELEM 341 Reading Assessment and Instruction –

Course changes were approved to send out for campus review.

New Courses

EMS 476 Critical Care Flight Paramedicine Prep Course – Course learner outcomes use outdated language. Use language like “Demonstrate”. Since the word “Demonstrate” is utilized in the examples on the Faculty Senate website, the committee decided to let this be okay.

HIST 475/575 Stalin and Stalinism– This is okay.

New courses are approved to send out for campus review.

Program Changes

Elementary Education Major, BAEd – the credits are offsetting and total credits did not change

ITAM MS options – This is okay.

Japanese Major, BA (Large Plan) – This is okay.

Program Changes were approved to send out for campus review.

Chair updates - Faculty Senate did approve the changes to the committee procedure manual. Jeff is working on compiling information and resources around badges and how they are being used on campus. Late this morning Jeff received a notice from the College of Arts and Humanities Dean that President Wohlpart is going to do program vitality index review. Any new program must appear on the five-year plan. Those plans are not due until February 1st. There are implications of this, as new programs are due in January. Jeff will continue to get additional information and speak with Greg Lyman, the Faculty Senate chair.

Chair/Chair-Elect – Sayantani nominated Jeff Dippmann to serve as chair for 22-23. Hongtao seconded and motion was approved.

Jeff talked about the definition of a program. We seem to define it inconsistently within policy/procedure.

Jeff has been talking to Rachel Kirk who is the chair of the Graduate Council, about workload for the Graduate Council Curriculum Committee (GCCC). Currently they are reviewing all program and course proposals. University policy says that the Graduate Council reviews programs and the graduate dean reviews courses. They currently are feeling overwhelmed. The Graduate Council is making two proposals. Faculty Senate guidance on outcomes for proposals appears only to cover undergraduate courses and they would like graduate level taxonomy added to that for consistency. They would also like to have a Graduate Council member added to the Curriculum Committee.

Program Learner Outcomes – Just got a meeting set up with Assessment Task Force for next week. Bret Smith and Kurt Kirstein to talk about what this process should look like and who should be reviewing. Jeff will bring back information after this meeting.

Curriculum Deadlines – Mike, Arturo and Jeff have not had a chance to meet yet. Hope to meet next week. Would like to get the Deadline notice for 22-23 codified and approved by the end of this quarter.

Curriculog Issues – None

Meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.