UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE  
2018-19 Meeting #4, October 8, 2018

Present: David Pimentel, Cher Hendricks, Liz Brandt, Diane Prorak, Taylor Raney, Robert Heinse, Tara Hudiburg, Sanjay Sisodiya, Irene Ogidan, Jean-Marc Gauthier, Bert Baumgaertner, Madi Bergeman
Absent: Jesse Smith, Julie Beeston, Dean Panttaja, Mark Nielsen
Others present: Grace Miller, Dwaine Hubbard, Rebecca Frost, Leonard Garrison

Chairperson Raney opened the meeting at 3:30. The UCC 3 minutes were approved.

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AFRICANA STUDIES

Bert Baumgaertner introduced the changes. Liz Brandt asked if there were a way to police which MUSA 365 Ensemble students apply toward the Minor and Dwaine Hubbard noted that the Registrar’s Office can limit by prefix and number, but not by subtitle. The committee elected to table this item.

AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES

Baumgaertner noted that the cross-listings were intended to maximize visibility. Brandt suggested that instead of cross-listing, departments list the original course in their own curricula. Mark Warner noted that there has been a conscious effort in Sociology and Anthropology in order to link courses and provide more interdisciplinary coursework. Hubbard asked whether a course could be interdisciplinary without being cross-listed.

Tara Hudiburg noted that cross-listings are also relevant to faculty members who only receive credit for teaching courses under a certain prefix. Chairperson Raney suggested that changes to the UCC curricular handbook might be in order as a final UCC item.

Baumgaertner noted that “this course” in the AIST 298 rationale refers to AIST 498. The AIST changes were approved.

JOURNALISM AND MASS MEDIA

The committee amended the curriculum so that “additional” appears before “12 credits.” The changes were approved.

MUSIC

Leonard Garrison explained that the MUSA 592 already exists as a requirement, but without formal coursework. Chairperson Raney asked why they hadn’t imbedded the requirement into an existing course and Garrison explained that keeping them separate gives students more flexibility, as one grade won’t be tied up in another. Garrison also noted that STAT 251 is being removed because it is no longer a prereq for one of the required Business courses. The changes were approved.

POLITICS AND PHILOSOPHY

Baumgaertner explained that the department historically struggled to offer non-Western courses and dealt with the problem by broadening the requirement. It was noted that “and debated” should be removed from the reactivated PHIL 221 description. The changes were approved.
RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Baumgaertner noted that ENGL 375 is no longer offered, which necessitates removing it from the curriculum. The changes were approved.

SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY

Warner noted that the proposed changes are consistent with State Board suggestion. He said: “we know we have the latitude to ignore what the State Board has done, but it would not serve our students. He also noted that the result will be a cleaner Degree Audit.

Raney noted that “Anthropological Component” on page 27 should say “Select one course,” for consistency. The changes were approved.


The committee elected to table the dormant report for one week.

Chairperson Raney closed the meeting at 4:40 pm. UCC will reconvene on October 15, 2018.

Grace Miller

UCC Secretary