

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

2018-19 Meeting #7, October 29, 2018

Present: David Pimentel, Cher Hendricks, Liz Brandt, Diane Prorak, Taylor Raney, Sanjay Sisodiya, Irene Ogidan, Robert Heinse, Jean-Marc Gauthier, Bert Baumgaertner, Mark Nielsen

Absent: Jesse Smith, Julie Beeston, Dean Panttaja, Madi Bergeman, Tara Hudiburg,

Others present: Grace Miller, Dwaine Hubbard, Rebecca Frost, Jim Connors, Sarah Bush

Chairperson Raney opened the meeting at 3:30 pm in the Pitman Cataldo room. The UCC6 minutes were approved.

UCC-19-018 College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

AGRICULTURAL AND EXTENSION EDUCATION

Jim Connors introduced the changes. He noted that the department is in talks to expand the B.S.Ag.L.S. to Idaho Falls and the new College of Eastern Idaho. Sarah Bush noted that students can take either Plant Science or Rangeland Ecology courses and Connors noted that REM courses were always accepted, but required substitution waivers in order to apply.

Sanjay Sisodiya asked whether a collaborative effort had occurred on campus with regard to the LDRS (Leadership Studies) prefix. Bush noted that leadership courses existed at the graduate level (AOLL, EMBA, etc), but LDRS would be undergraduate only. Sisodiya noted that CLASS and CEHHS offer undergraduate leadership courses. Liz Brandt noted that the prefix LDRS is not CALS specific and Sisodiya suggested that the committee reconsider the prefix in order to avoid duplicating very general courses.

Chairperson Raney asked why the prefix could not be AgEd and Connors responded that there are two separate majors and the department needs to differentiate the leadership component from the agricultural education component. David Pimentel noted that there is no agriculture mentioned in the description. He also asked whether the committee wanted students to receive credit for taking equivalent or near-equivalent courses.

Robert Heinse proposed some alternate prefixes: CDLD (Community Development and Leadership) and CLDR (Community Leadership). Bush noted that those prefixes came closer to what they were trying to accomplish. Bert Baumgaertner suggested that the department add a reference to community in the leadership course descriptions.

Chairperson Raney asked whether AGED 450 is changing substantially enough to require a new course number. Bush explained that the nuance of the course has become more specific, but it represents the same historical content. Chairperson Raney moved to approve all Agricultural Education changes except the LDRS prefix et cetera and AgEd 450. The motion passed.

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND RURAL SOCIOLOGY

Sisodiya noted that there is no pricing class included in the AgEc 490 prerequisites. He also noted that the description mentions advanced price analysis, but has a narrow agricultural focus. He asked: "are we possibly confusing target audiences?" Sisodiya also noted that the AgEc 433 description references "sales management," but a sales management course is being removed from the prerequisites

Pimentel noted that "Advanced" is included in the title of 490 and asked whether a basic class preceded this one. Sisodiya noted that there is an AgEc 489 futures and options course with a commodity focus.

The committee elected to table AgEc 490 and AgEc 433. The other Agricultural Economics changes were approved.

ANIMAL AND VETERINARY SCIENCES

EPPN 154 and 155 are intended to replace BIOL 154 and 154 in all curricula. Mark Nielsen noted that the College of Science supports this change, as Biological Sciences no longer intends to teach the course.

ENTOMOLOGY, PLANT PATHOLOGY, AND NEMATOTOLOGY

Heinse noted a typo: "Biological" in a course title should be "Biology." He noted that these changes are the result of the departments' recent trifurcation, which required "more or less creating programs from scratch." The committee elected to table the EPPN course items specific to the proposed Global Disease program. The other changes were approved.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

It was noted that the changes represent strategic realignments in curricular presentation, making courses available to both lower division and upper division students. The Family and Consumer Sciences changes were approved.

FOOD SCIENCE

Heinse noted that the School of Food Science is bi-state and attempts to standardize the language between the two universities. He also noted that FC 517 and 518 were both previously only available to FS students, which was contentious; the description updates clarify the intent. The Food Science changes were approved.

PLANT SCIENCES

It was noted that PLSC 507 is available in Idaho Falls only. The changes were approved.

SOIL AND WATER SYSTEMS

BE 452 was orphaned after Biological Engineering elected to stop teaching it, so Soil and Water Systems is creating a version under the SOIL prefix. Dwaine Hubbard suggested that the courses be cross-listed in case Biological Engineering does not submit paperwork to drop the course. The committee accepted this amendment. The changes passed.

UCC-18-019 College of Business and Economics

Sisodiya noted that the "Tier One" language is out-dated and being removed. With regard to the PGA changes, he noted that most current students are in Level 2.0 and transitioning to 3.0, which does not require the Food and Beverage course.

With regard to the Management Information Systems major, he explained that two different pools of courses were collapsed into one and offset with a 3 credit increase. It was noted that "restricted elective" refers to electives limited to options in a list.

Hubbard asked whether 386 were being dropped altogether and Sisodiya noted that it is still required for the Level 2.0 students. To avoid 386, students have to switch to 3.0 which introduces an additional test sequence during Winter Break. The changes were approved unanimously.

UCC-19-024

College of Law/College of Letters, Arts and Social Sciences – Joint J.D./M.P.A.

Baumgaertner noted that a lot of students are already jointly taking both programs. Brandt noted that Law has now seen and signed off on the joint program. The committee elected to strike “public defenders” from the list in the curriculum on page six, per suggestion by Pimentel. The proposal was approved.

Hearing no additional questions, Chairperson Raney closed the meeting. UCC will reconvene on November 5, 2018.

Grace Miller

UCC Secretary