

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

2022-23 Meeting #3, October 10, 2022

Members (those present in bold, * indicates voting member):

Steve Shook, Chair*

Lindsey Brown

Erin Chapman*

Hanwen Dong*

Gwen Gorzelsky

Hector Guerrero*

Kalynn Hanley*

Georgia Harrison*

Kyle Howerton*

Stacy Isenbarger

Emad Kassem*

Jerry Long*

Renee Love*

Mike McCollough*

Dean Panttaja

David Paul*

Francesca Sammarruca

Jared Sherman*

Guests Present: Rebecca Frost, Steve Stubbs, Alyson Roy, Karen Thompson, Matt Smitley, DeniRob Arnett, John Shovic, Trevor White, Jim Connors, Tanya Miura, Katrina Eichner, Stacey Doumit, Traci Craig.

I. Chairperson Steve Shook called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

II. Announcements and Communications

Steve Shook asked committee members to have Rolling Deadline documents back to him today.

III. The minutes from the October 3, 2022 meeting were approved as disseminated.

IV. New Business

UCC Agenda number: UCC-23-011

Items under consideration: AGED 406, AVS 110, AVS 110L, CLDR 220, FN 450, FN 591, PLSC 338

Speaker: None

Discussion: None

Outcome: Approved

UCC Agenda number: UCC-23-011

Items under consideration: FN 305

Discussion: It was noted by Jerry Long and Steve Shook that some of the language in the course description sounded like a prerequisite. Jerry wondered if it was possibly an expected outcome. Trevor explained that the department wanted to ensure prospective students had some high school biology or chemistry experience prior to taking the course. Lindsey Brown recommended changing course description language to "Recommended preparation – high school biology and chemistry" and leave out the rest of the sentence.

Speaker: Trevor White

Outcome: Amended to include verbiage discussed above in the course description and approved.

UCC Agenda number: UCC-23-011

Items under consideration: FS 113, 302, 402, 418, 429, 430, 461, 465, 466, 470

Discussion: Steve Shook asked if FS 466 should be joint-listed. Lindsey Brown noted that a grad level lab did not exist, so a joint-list was not appropriate.

Speaker: Stacey Doumit

Outcome: Approved

UCC Agenda number: UCC-23-013

Items under consideration: ANTH 440, 442, 495

Discussion: Lindsey Brown asked what the difference was between ANTH 440/442 and ANTH 451. Traci Craig explained that they are different in their approach as to how they analyze bones and that the courses were very different.

Speaker: Traci Craig, Katrina Eichner

Outcome: Approved

Items under consideration: ENGL 317, 417, 202

Discussion: Lindsey Brown noted that ENGL 317 was a highly subscribed course and that she would like to discuss these changes further with Tara McDonald. Tara was unable to attend this meeting. Stacey Doumit also had concerns with the new title of ENGL 317, Intermediate Technical Writing, as it may not look right on her students' transcripts when they were applying for veterinary school. She suggested calling the course Technical Writing II. Karen had the same concern and also liked the idea of Technical Writing II. They are creating a new BS in technical English and those students would be expected to take the 3 technical writing courses in sequence. However, not everyone taking these courses would need to take them in sequence.

Speaker: Karen Thompson

Outcome: Tabled until Lindsey shared these concerns with Tara.

Items under consideration: ENGL 320

Discussion: Lindsey Brown noted that ED 620 also exists, which is also a course called Grant Writing. Should this have a different title? Karen Thompson suggested changing the title of ENGL 320 to "Grant and Proposal Writing."

Speaker: Karen Thompson

Outcome: Amended to change the title to Grant and Proposal Writing and approved.

Items under consideration: ENGL 418

Discussion: Stacey Isenbarger noted that her college had a course with a very similar name and suggested this course be tabled until they could have a look to see if it might be the same course. Karen Thompson noted that their courses were rhetorically based, with a focus on language and images. Stacey mentioned that their course is writing intensive and very similar to ENGL 418. Karen agreed.

Speaker: Karen Thompson

Outcome: Tabled until Art & Architecture and English could discuss these similar courses.

Items under consideration: PHIL 426, 427

Discussion: Since the retirement of Bill Lund in 2019 we have not been able to offer POLS 425/PHIL 426, and we have only been able to offer POLS 426/PHIL 427 (this course) once. We propose to drop POLS 425/PHIL 426 and rename POLS 426/PHIL 427 from "History of Political Philosophy II" to "Modern Political Philosophy," as it is confusing to have a class called "History of Political Philosophy II" without there being a "History of Political Philosophy I" course. We also would like to change the confusing associate of POLS 426 with PHIL 427; we would like the number for both course entries to be 427. Some discussion followed about equivalencies and was determined that they would be OK as proposed.

Speaker: Traci Craig

Outcome: Approved

Items under consideration: HIST 450

Discussion: Lindsey Brown mentioned that an (s) should be added to the title if it was supposed to be subtitleable. Mike McCollough mentioned that the course description looked significantly different than the original one. It was decided that the original description had very little information and the new description was just more descriptive.

Speaker: Alyson Roy

Outcome: Approved

UCC Agenda Number 23-014 College of Engineering

Items under consideration: BIOL 312

Discussion: Lindsey Brown mention that "Recommended" comments should be listed under the course description and not the prerequisites. She also asked if prerequisites BIOL 310/315 was "310 and 315" or "310 or 315". Tanya explained that 315 was just the lab and could be dropped as a perquisite.

Speaker: Tanya Miura

Outcome: Amended to remove BIOL 315 as a prerequisite and approved.

Items under consideration: BIOL 419

Discussion: Lindsey Brown noted that the course would be offered every fall in the proposal, yet the rationale in the proposal mentioned the course would be offered every other year.

Speaker: Tanya Miura

Outcome: Registrar staff will follow up with department to determine frequency of offering. Approved.

Items under consideration: BIOL 101, 350, 484

Discussion: None

Speaker: Tanya Miura

Outcome: Approved

UCC Agenda Number 23-015

Items under consideration: CS 453, 454

Discussion: Steve Shook noted that the rationale for the proposal mentioned cross-listed ME courses with the same name, but the course wasn't cross-listed in the body of the proposal. There was some debate as to whether these proposals should be tabled until the ME courses are approved. John Shovic explained that the ME courses were still in workflow and that the changes to the CS courses should be approved now and not wait for the ME courses to get through workflow. The committee agreed.

Speaker: John Shovic

Outcome: Approved

Items under consideration: ECE 319, 339, 359, 521, 538, 539, 545, 571

Discussion: Steve Shook proposed that the title of ECE 538 be changed from EM Simulation to Electromagnetic Simulation for consistency purposes since EM 539 used the term Electromagnetic as opposed to EM. For the same reason, it was recommended that title of ECE 545 be changed from Advanced VSLI Design to Advanced Very Large-Scale Integration Design.

Lindsey Brown suggested "(Alt/yrs)" be removed from the description for ECE 521 since this is no longer required with the new Courseleaf software.

Speaker: None

Outcome: Approved with description change to ECE 521 and title updates to ECE 538 and 545.

Items under consideration: AT 505

Discussion: Lindsey Brown pointed out that course number 505 cannot be used because it's already used as standard course number. Matt Smitley said this was fine. Registrar will change it to AT 516.

Speaker: Matt Smitley

Outcome: Approved

Items under consideration: PEP 350, 409, 493

Discussion: Francesca Sammaruca asked about the reasoning for changing credits of PEP 409. David Paul explained that this was a class for non-majors and 3 credits was a lot to be asking non-majors to take.

Speaker: David Paul

Outcome: Approved

UCC Agenda Number 23-012

Items under consideration: AOLL 507, 510, 526, 528, 560, 570, 573, 574, 575, 577, 581, 583, 615

Discussion: Steve Shook pointed out that all these course proposals say that they would be offered in-person in CDA, Boise, and Moscow.

Speaker: None

Outcome: Tabled until it could be determined if these were actually going to be taught in-person at CDA, Boise, and Moscow.

Items under consideration: ED 250

Discussion: Lindsey Brown asked if the term CoEd in the title could be changed to something different. She recommended replacing CoEd with EHHS.

Speaker: David Paul

Outcome: Amended to update the title as discussed above and approved.

Items under consideration: EDAD 509, 513, 528, 530, 533, 534, 535, 570, 571, 580, 584, 586, 587, 592, 593, 594, 595

Discussion: Steve Shook pointed out that all these course proposals say that they would be offered in-person in CDA, Boise, and Moscow, but thought this may not be the case.

Speaker: None

Outcome: Tabled until it could be determined if these were actually going to be taught in-person at CDA, Boise, and Moscow. Committee also asked for more rationale for changes in course descriptions.

VI. Additional Questions or Discussion - None

VII. Chairperson Steve Shook closed the meeting at 4:40 pm. UCC will reconvene next Monday, October 17, 2022.

Ted Unzicker
UCC Secretary