

Curriculum Committee

October 7, 2015 @ 3:30 PM, MCC Boardroom 207

MINUTES

Present: Derik Steyn, Chair; Linda Phillips; Mandy Husak; Robert Bausch; Greg Herring; Jeff Seger; Nikki Kirk (SGA representative); Pamela Rogers; Ali Soylu; Hong Li; Lance Janda; Gary Buckley; Teresa Morales, Sec'y

Apologies: Michelle Bannon (SGA); Maria Wilson (SGA); Saeed Ahmad; Lynda Robinson

Dr. Steyn opened the meeting at 3:30.

1. Minutes from September 9, 2015 meeting were approved with an amendment to the list of committee members present to include Jeff Seger.
2. New student members: not present, but they emailed their votes. Nikki explained that for both, their work schedule conflicted with today's meeting, but would be at future meetings.
3. University Honors: Dr. Wohlers was present to issues from last month.
 - a. There is a need to "honorize" senior projects in Capstone courses
 - i. Currently there is no way to make this visible on student transcripts nor is there a way to ensure that projects were, in fact, "honorized."
 - ii. There needs to be an easier way to track with a named specific course requirement making it more visible to students so they remain on track to complete honors program.
 - iii. Dr. Wohlers suggested a contract made between the student and their senior capstone course director for specific requirements that honorize the project. This contract then goes to Dr. Wohlers to register the honor student in the HONORS senior capstone course (HON 4300)—a non-credit course that is ONLY used to track the "honorizing" of the senior project.
 1. If students don't fulfill the contract, they are withdrawn from the course (HON 4300).
 2. This course works through student's capstone so that there is not a duplicate capstone requirement or credit.
 3. This should cut down on number of students who forget to complete the "honorizing" portion.
 - b. Committee recommends the following change:
 - i. Students first enroll in 16-week senior capstone course in their major. Students then have a maximum of four weeks to create their "Honorizing" contract with their course director.

- e.** Change in prerequisites for
 - i.** PSY 2113
 - ii.** PSY 3413
 - iii.** PSY 3423
 - iv.** PSY 4363
 - v.** PSY 4433
 - vi.** PSY 4443
 - vii.** PSY 4453
- f.** Change in description, content, prerequisite, and title—PSY 3363
- g.** Change in description, content, and title—PSY 3373
- h.** Change in description and prerequisite—PSY 4393
- i.** Change in prerequisite, number and level—PSY 4423

Meeting ends at 4:43 PM. Next meeting is 11/11/15 @ 3:00 CETES 207.