

# Curriculum Committee

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September 9, 2015 @ 4:00 PM, MCC Boardroom 207

## MINUTES

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

Apologies: Saeed Ahmad; Pam Rogers

Not present: 2 unnamed student representatives

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Dr. Steyn opened the meeting at 4:01.

The meeting began with introductions as this is the first meeting of the academic year. There were three visitors as spokespersons for their departments regarding changes in curriculum under consideration.

1. Minutes from April 24, 2015 meeting were approved.
2. Program and course modifications
  - a. University Honors Course addition—HON 4300 Honors Capstone was discussed
    - i. Committee felt there was lack of clarity in the intent of the addition
      1. Recommended a pre-req for the course
      2. Questioned why there was no credit associated with the course
      3. Do seniors do 2 senior projects—one for their major and one for Honors?
      4. Course description is unclear
      5. Could this not be a matter of checked box on Degree Works?
      6. Dr. Wohlers was not present to address these issues
    - ii. Motion was made to send the modification back for clarification of discussed issues. Seconded and approved.
  - b. Department of Music—course deletions for MUSC 3683 and MUSC 4702
    - i. Courses are outdated and unnecessary
    - ii. Motion was made to accept deletion of these two courses. Seconded and approved.

- c. \*\*Department of English—remove from General Education status two courses: ENGL 1123 and ENGL 1223 (Honors Comp I & II)
  - i. Removal recommended by Gen. Ed. Committee
  - ii. Motion was made to accept change in status. Seconded and approved.
- d. Department of History and Government—program requirement change returning SOCI 1113, changing requirement from a choice of one 3-hr elective to SOCI 1113; plus State Regents coding change to 135—Social Studies Education
  - i. Dr. Janda was pleased to say the course needed to be placed back in the curriculum after having been removed last year.
  - ii. Motion was made for all changes requested. Seconded and approved.
- e. Department of Biological Sciences—program deletion of Medical Technology, add option in Medical Laboratory Science to B.S. Biology degree; plus change prefixes for MT 4117, 4125, 4236, 4246, 4325 to corresponding MLS 4117, 4125, 4236, 4246, 4325; plus change title and prefix for MT 4351 Topics in MT to MLS 4351 Topics in Medical Laboratory Science.
  - i. CU no longer has the requisite expertise to teach MT.
  - ii. Change operationally what is already happening
  - iii. Motion made to delete MT program. Seconded and approved.
  - iv. Motion made to add MLS as concentration under B.S. Biology. Seconded and approved.
  - v. Motion made to change prefix from MT to MLS (as block of courses). Seconded and approved.
- f. Department of Chemistry, Physics & Engineering—program deletion for Electronics and Electricity
  - i. Already deleted upper level EET courses in the past; this finishes the deletions.
  - ii. Only one student in the program and this student is scheduled to graduate in December 2015. This student has already taken these courses.
  - iii. Motion made to delete the program courses. Seconded and approved.
- g. Department of Chemistry, Physics & Engineering—course deletion for Methods of Teaching Physical Science
  - i. The department no longer offers teaching courses.
  - ii. Motion made to delete the course. Seconded and approved.
- h. \*\*Department of Math—remove from General Education status one course, MATH 1715
  - i. Treated along with ENGL 1123 and ENGL 1223 above.

- i. Department of Military Science—change in title, description and grade option for MSL 4004 Leadership Development and Assessment to MSL 4004 Cadet Leader Course
  - i. Department changes the opportunities for leadership courses about every four years. This change represents the newest opportunities for leadership for future commissioned officers.
  - ii. Motion made to accept changes to leadership course. Seconded and approved.
- 3. Dr. Steyn explained that there were no vacant seats for the committee as he previously thought; therefore no action was required.
  - a. Ms. Kirk stated that she had named two students to the committee through SGA, but the students must have been unclear about attending today's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35

- Next meeting is October 7, 2015 @ 2:00 in CETES 207