Educational Policies Committee
Minutes of February 12, 2013 - Approved


1. Approval of minutes

A motion was made by T. Haley and seconded by M. Frank to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2013 meeting. Approved by all.

2. Old Business

None

New Business

• Major Change Proposal – Athletic Training

  o New course – HPRED 02XX Medical Aspects in Athletic Training
  o Delete courses HPRED 0202 and HPRED 0214.

  This request was for the creation of a new course HPRED 02XX (with a required C- or better grade) as a result from combining HPRED 0202 and HPRED 0214 and an altering content to better align with new competencies for the major.

  Motion to approve X or table ___ made by M. Frank Seconded by J. Slimick Approved by all. New course number HPRED 0220.

  o Delete courses from the major – CHEM 0101 or CHEM 0187

  The request indicated these courses cover few required competencies and those that are covered will be redistributed across other courses in the major.

  Motion to approve X or table ___ made by T. Haley Seconded by M. Frank Approved by all.

  o Credit hour change – HPRED 0180

  This request asked to change the course from 1 credit hour to 2 to compensate for the addition of competencies to the course.

  Motion to approve X or table ___ made by M. Frank Seconded by G. Tessmer Approved by all.

  o Add course to the major – HPRED 1320

  This request asked to add HPRED 1320: Principles of Strength Training to the major requirements with a required C- or better grade.

  Motion to approve X or table ___ made by T. Haley Seconded by M. Frank Approved by 6 with 1 abstention.
Major Change Proposals – English

- Course name change – ENG 0102

The purpose of this request was to change the name of ENG 0102 from English Composition II to Critical Thinking and Writing. The committee discussion focused on the question of if the name of ENG 102 changed, then the title of ENG 0101 would also need to be changed because if there is no II (two), then there would be no need for the designation of I (one) for the other course.

Motion to approve X or table X made by J. Slimick Seconded by Kira L. Approved by all.

- Course name change – ENG 0203

The purpose of this request was to change the name of ENG 0203 from British Literature before 1800 to British Literature: The Mead Hall to Enlightenment. The committee discussion concluded that the students who would most likely be taking this course as an elective would not know what Mead Hall and Enlightenment meant. The current title would have more meaning.

Motion to approve X or table X made by G. Tessmer Seconded by M. Frank Approved by 6 with 1 abstention.

- Course name and description change – ENG 0218

This proposal sought approval of name and course description change of the current ENG 0218 course. The rationale indicated that these changes is based on the shift from the broad definition of environment and the focus on European perspectives to better meet the needs of Environmental studies majors and more modern American environmentalist writers. J. Baldwin indicated the changes were significant enough to require a new course request. The motion was tabled until the committee could see a syllabus from the revised course.

Motion to approve X or table X made by J. Slimick Seconded by T. Haley Approved by all.

- New course – ENG 0XXX English for Academic Purposes

This request asked for the creation of a new course which would target non-native speakers of English who need to improve their reading and grammar skills and enlarge their knowledge of vocabulary. G. Tessmer indicated he did not feel there would be a problem filling the course every semester.

Motion to approve X or table ___ made by G. Tessmer Seconded by T. Haley Approved by all. New course number ENG 0090.

New Course Proposal – BIOL 14XX Cancer Biology

This proposal requested the development of a new course that would focus on causes of and treatment for cancer.

Motion to approve X or table ___ made by T. Haley Seconded by J. Slimick
GE Global Competency

This alteration results in a change to the G.E. requirements from 3 credit hours of non-western to 6 credit hours of Global Competency. All current non-western courses will default to Global Competency. This change in G.E. requirements will not necessarily change the overall hours of the major because students can double-dip in the categories.

Motion to approve _X_ or table ___ made by _G. Tessmer_ Seconded by ___ K. Leek__

Approved by all. This proposal will now move on to Senate Council.

Required GPA requirements for all minors

This proposal recommends that a minimum GPA requirement of 2.0 (this would include any of the four minors that previously required a 2.5) for all minors. Minor requirements can still include a stipulation of no less than a C- in any course if it is desired to set requirements that are more stringent.

Motion to approve _X_ or table ___ made by _J. Slimick_ Seconded by ___ D. Dombek__

Approved by all.

New Course Proposals

- CHEM 14XX Interpretation of Mass Spectra
- CHEM 14XX Topics in Inorganic Chemistry

This proposal requested the creation of two new courses that were previously offered as special topics courses. Approval of the request would result in the courses being offered on a more regular basis.

Motion to approve _X_ or table ___ made by _J. Slimick_ Seconded by ___ K. Leck__

Approved by all.

3. Matters Arising

J. Baldwin asked that advisors be reminded that students are responsible for pursuing and completing the requirements for graduation (major, minor, and general education) as defined when they declared their major or matriculated. Students may opt to pursue revised requirements by completing a change of major or minor form and indicating “revised requirements” under the new program.

With no further business, J. Slimick moved to adjourn M. Frank seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Dombek
EPC Secretary