Educational Policies Committee
Minutes of October 9, 2014


Excused: J. Baldwin

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1. Approval of minutes
D. Dombek made a motion to approve as written with corrections to the spelling of Tessmer; Seconded by G. Tessmer. Approved by all

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2. Old Business
none

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3. New Business

- Course Description Change: ART 0101- Drawing I
- Course Description Change: ART 0102- Figure Drawing
- Course Description Change: ART 0103- Digital Graphic Design
- Course Description Change: ART 0115- Digital Photography and Imaging
- Course Description Change: ART 0201- Painting I
- Course Description Change: ART 0204- Contemporary Portraiture
- Course Description Change: ART 1301- Advanced Drawing
- Course Description Change: ART 1310- Advanced Painting

A discussion was held as to the need for the inclusion of a syllabus when course change proposals are put forth. The eight listed proposals were considered together. Minor grammatical changes were suggested for the ART course descriptions.

Motion to approve__X__ or table _____ made by K. Leck; seconded by G. Tessmer Approved by all

- New Course Proposal: CHEM 01XX- Introduction to Fuels
A lengthy discussion was held as to the differences between the newly proposed course and the existing CHEM 0189 course which currently includes a lab segment. It is proposed that the Introduction to Fuels course is designed to be a stand-alone lab and is designed to support CHEM 0189, however, CHEM 0189 would not be a requirement for the newly proposed course. Currently there are no 2 credit labs [as requested by this proposal] which needed clarification. A phone conversation was held with Dr. Soriano who clarified that the proposal should reflect a 1 credit lab offering. It was noted by M. Kropf that a sustainability grant was received to support the lab offering.

In addition to the proposal for the new course a discussion was held as to the need for examination of the current CHEM 0189 course description to provide clarity as it is currently a lecture course.

Motion to approve__X__ or table _____ made by K. Leck; seconded by G. Tessmer Approved by all

Course number CHEM 0186
• **Course Change: GE ARTS Classification for COMM 1306- American Cinema**
  K. Leck noted that there is currently another Cinema course which is offered as a GE:History supporting the appropriateness of the GE designation.

  Motion to approve _X_ or table _____ made by G. Tessmer; seconded by M. Frank

  **Approved by all**

• **Course Change: GE Classification for COMM 1410- Persuasion**
  The committee discussed maintaining collegial practice by holding discussions with divisions impacted by course proposals. It is suggested that Prof. Salvo submit the proposal for COMM 1410: Persuasion for consideration of GE classification in the Behavioral Sciences to the Behavioral Sciences division for discussion prior to consideration by EPC.

  Motion to approve _____ or table __X___ made by G. Tessmer; seconded by K. Leck

  **Approved by all**

• **Course Change: GE Classification for PS 1304- American Foreign Relations and removal of PS 0201 – World Politics as prerequisite for the course**
  A brief discussion was held related to the potential for student success in the PS 1304 course with the removal of the prerequisite. Historically, the requirements has been waived on occasion without impacting student success. The rationale provided for the awarding of GE: Political Science and Global Competency were viewed as reasonable and appropriate by the committee.

  Motion to approve _X_ or table _____ made by M. Frank; seconded by D. Dombek

  **Approved by all**

• **Course Change: Change PS 0209- Environmental Politics to upper level PS 13XX**
  The way the course is currently taught, the requirements and course content reflect a higher level of learning than the lower level designation implies. The course would move from classification as a lower level elective to an upper level elective; not currently required for any specific major.

  Motion to approve _X_ or table _____ made by G. Tessmer; seconded by D. Dombek

  **Approved by all**

  New course number PS 1367

• **Course Change: SOC 1307: Medical Sociology name change**
  It is proposed that the title of Sociology of Health, Illness, and Disease be adopted as it better reflects course content and current practice.

  Motion to approve _X_ or table _____ made by M. Frank; seconded by D. Dombek
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S. Hardin provided information related to freshman seminar. For students who are admitted provisionally seeking an Associate Degree freshmen seminar will be required to facilitate student retention.

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The meeting was adjourned without motion due to time constraints.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Haley
EPC Secretary