

COUNCIL ON CURRICULAR PROGRAMS AND INSTRUCTION

Thursday, 23 April 2020
Via Zoom, 3:30 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM: S. Bennett, B. Birnbaum, N. Ekici, L. Hemphill, B. Intrieri, H. Kamminga-Peck, J. Lin, E. Mannion, S. Szyjka

EX-OFFICIO: M. Mossman (ex-officio), Donna Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: E. Go, R. Homer (SGA)

GUESTS VIA ZOOM: Hoyet Hemphill, Lorette Oden, Betsy Perabo, Renee Polubinsky, Linda Prosise, Jim Schmidt, Sam Thompson, Sadie Van Dyke, Gregg Woodruff

Chairperson Bennett thanked outgoing CCPI members Elgin Mannion, Eun Go, and Leaunda Hemphill for their service. He welcomed newly appointed members for Fall 2020: Hoyet Hemphill, Courtney Blankenship, and Paige Goodwin, the latter two of whom were unable to attend today's meeting.

I. Consideration of Minutes

A. 9 April 2020

MINUTES APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED

II. Announcements

A. Election of Officers

1. Chair

Motion: To nominate Steve Bennett as Chair (Intrieri/Lin)

There were no further nominations, and Dr. Bennett was elected Chair.

2. Vice Chair

Motion: To nominate Bob Intrieri as Vice Chair (Bennett/H. Hemphill)

There were no further nominations, and Dr. Intrieri was elected to the position.

3. Secretary

Motion: To nominate Jessica Lin as Secretary (Lin/Kamminga-Peck)

There were no further nominations, and Dr. Lin was declared elected.

B. Approved Requests from the Honors College

1. GH 302, Chicago Economy, 3 s.h.

Chairperson Bennett explained that approved honors courses are provided to CCPI for informational purposes.

III. Old Business – None

IV. New Business

A. Curricular Requests from the School of Accounting, Finance, Economics, and Decision Sciences

1. Request for Change in Title and Course Description

- a. ACCT 307, Accounting for Managers and Management Decisions, 3 s.h.

Current: Accounting for Managers and Management Decisions
Covers asset, liability, and equity accounting, as well as basic cost accounting concepts and techniques. Emphasis is on the use of accounting information for planning, controlling, and operating decisions. *Not open to those who have received credit for ACCT 201 or 202. Cannot be applied towards meeting the requirements for Accountancy major or minor without prior approval of the department chair.*

Proposed: Accounting for Managers and Engineers
Covers basic financial and cost accounting concepts and techniques. Emphasis is on the use of accounting information by managers and engineers for planning, controlling, and operating decisions. *Not open to those who have received credit for ACCT 201 or 202. Cannot be applied towards meeting the requirements for Accountancy major or minor without prior approval of the department chair. Not open to students with credit for the same course listed in the other department.*

Motion: To approve ACCT 307 (Birnbbaum/Ekici)

Department Chair Gregg Woodruff explained that the change is proposed at the request of the School of Engineering. Engineering students have to be able to read financial statements and understand budgets for their general engineering exam. Chairperson Woodruff stated that his department already had a course that is used for MBA students without a background in business, and the goals and objectives of the course seemed to be a great fit and would be efficient and effective for Engineering.

MOTION APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

2. Request for Cross-Listing

- a. ACCT 307/ENGR 307, Accounting for Managers and Engineers, 3 s.h.

Motion: To approve cross-listing (Intrieri/Birnbbaum)

MOTION APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

B. Curricular Requests from the Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Geographic Information Systems

1. Requests for New Options

a. Applied Meteorology

Motion: To approve Applied Meteorology option (Intrieri/Ekici)

EAGIS Chair Sam Thompson explained that this option is intended for students who work in environmental companies in the private sector, such as State Farm or agricultural companies – non-National Weather Service employees. He stated that this is where most of the business is for graduates, but 65 percent of the department's students who move in this direction will have shortages that need to be met before graduation. Chairperson Thompson added that feedback from the national organization helped to make this decision.

Changes:

- Move METR 120 from Core Courses to directed General Education and change Core Courses hours to 15.
- Change Directed Electives to say "Select 17 s.h. from the following" instead of 19 s.h. and change the semester hours column to 17 s.h.
- Change BC prefixes to BC&J.
- Change Minor hours to 16.
- Change section 6., Other, to section 4., Directed, and have it read "Choose 3 s.h." rather than "choose one of."
- Add a section on Open Electives for 4 s.h.
- Change total proposed hours to 120.
- Change section B., regarding hours in Gen Ed and another category, to 0.
- Change Hours Required to Complete Program to 120.

Dr. Intrieri remarked that a curriculum committee composed of faculty reviews this material, and he feels a little uncomfortable about making so many changes to the proposal without that committee's oversight. College of Arts and Sciences **Associate Dean Jim Schmidt** stated that changes such as this would typically be sent back to the college curriculum committee as an informational notice of what was changed at CCPI and they would not have to review it again unless there were strident objections, which he does not anticipate. **Dr. Lin** pointed out that the proposal still must go to Faculty Senate, and any faculty member would have a chance to let their senator know if they had objections.

MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGES BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

b. Operational Meteorology

Motion: To approve Operational Meteorology option (Intrieri/Kamminga-Peck)

Chairperson Thompson explained that this option is specific to the National Weather Service and will help students going on to graduate school. He noted that it has more vigorous sections on mathematics and physical sciences.

Changes:

- Move METR 120 from Core Courses to directed General Education and change Core Courses hours to 15.
- Move MATH 134 from Option Courses to directed General Education and change Option Courses hours to 21.
- Change Minor hours to 16.
- Add a section on Open Electives for 2-4 s.h.

- Change total proposed hours to 120.
- Change section B., regarding hours in Gen Ed and another category, to 0.
- Change Hours Required to Complete Program to 120.

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2. Request for Changes in Majors

a. Meteorology

Motion: To approve changes to Meteorology major (Intrieri/Birnbaum)

Changes:

- Move METR 120 from Core Courses to directed General Education and change Core Courses hours to 15.
- Move MATH 134 from Option Courses to directed General Education and change Option Courses hours to 21.
- In Directed Electives under Option B, change “Select 13 s.h. from the following” to “Select 17 s.h. from the following.”
- Change BC prefixes to BC&J.
- Change Minor hours to 16.
- Remove references to Option A and B in the Other category.
- Change section 6., Other, to section 4., Directed, and have it read “Choose 3 s.h.” rather than “choose one of.”
- Add a section on Open Electives and show that Option A has 2-4 s.h. of open electives and Option B has 2 s.h.
- Change total proposed hours to 120.
- Change section B., regarding hours in Gen Ed and another category, to 0.
- Change Hours Required to Complete Program to 120.
- Adjust Summary of Changes to reflect the above changes where necessary.

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b. Geographic Information Science

Motion: To approve change to GIS major (Intrieri/Kamminga-Peck)

Changes:

- Remove 6 s.h. in the proposed semester hour column for “Choose one course from the Geospatial group” since this is being eliminated.
- Make semester hours align with proposed column information.

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C. Curricular Requests from the Department of Liberal Arts and Sciences

1. Request for Change in Course Description

a. LAS 195, Introduction to the Liberal Arts and Sciences

Current: A comparative introduction to the major areas of the liberal arts and sciences. Students will learn how each area evolved and how each

approaches problems and controversies. The course may take its particular focus each year from the University theme.

Proposed: A comparative introduction to the major areas of the liberal arts and sciences. Students will learn how each area evolved; how each approaches problems and controversies; how diverse groups have worked within and contributed to each of them; and how the study of race, gender, religion, and multiculturalism informs and is embedded within these different fields. The theme may vary from year to year.

Motion: To approve LAS 195 (Intrieri/Birnbaum)

Liberal Arts and Sciences professor **Betsy Perabo** explained that this course was created a long time ago to be one of two core courses for the Liberal Arts and Sciences major, which was originally developed to be offered at WIUQC. She said the major has been active on the Macomb campus for awhile now as a small program which typically involves students taking two minors in Liberal Arts and Sciences and a third minor somewhere else. She added that LAS 195 and the capstone were the only two required courses for the major. Professor Perabo related that when majors in Women's Studies, African American Studies, and Religious Studies were eliminated in 2016, those faculty were merged into the Department of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and over the past few years the department has been thinking about ways to modify the major, and especially this class, because faculty from these areas are now teaching it. She stated that the Quad Cities faculty member who has taught this class for a long time supports the changes, which will place a greater emphasis on such aspects as race, gender, religion, and multiculturalism.

Change: Since the proposed course description exceeds the 40-word maximum, it will be changed to read, "A comparative introduction to the major areas of the liberal arts and sciences covering their evolution and distinctive approaches to problems. Addresses how the study of race, gender, religion, and multiculturalism informs and is embedded within each field."

MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGE BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

D. Curricular Requests from the Department of Kinesiology

1. Requests for New Courses

- a. KIN 146, Court Sports, 1 s.h.

Motion: To approve KIN 146 (Intrieri/Birnbaum)

Kinesiology **Chair Renee Polubinsky** told CCPI that both courses came forward after reviewing students' comments and assessment data. Two years ago, when she was interim chair, **Chairperson Polubinsky** met with teaching assistants for activity courses, and many of their comments indicated that lack of attendance affected the department's assessment data. She stated that the TAs who teach courses such as volleyball, badminton, and basketball indicated that 16 weeks is a long time to keep students motivated on one sport and asked if the semester could be broken up into different sports. **Chairperson Polubinsky** said that court sports (pickleball, team handball, badminton, and tennis) can be offered in Brophy along

with sections of the single course offerings for those students who would prefer to concentrate on one sport.

Changes:

- Change “List Courses to be Deleted in Conjunction with Approval of This Request” to “None.”
- Indicate in Redistribution of Teaching Load section that fewer sections of KIN 121, 151, and 158 will be offered.

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- b. KIN 150, Outdoor Sports, 1 s.h.

Motion: To approve KIN 150 (Birnbaum/Ekici)

Chairperson Polubinsky pointed out that there are good facilities around Brophy Hall for playing tennis, soccer, softball, and other outdoor sports, and some of these classes have not been taught for several years.

Changes:

- Change “List Courses to be Deleted in Conjunction with Approval of This Request” to “None.”
- Indicate in Redistribution of Teaching Load section that fewer sections of KIN 121, 151, and 158 will be offered.
- Change KIN 253 to PETE 253 on page 2.

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V. Provost’s Report – None

Motion: To adjourn (Lin)

The Council adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Bob Intrieri, Vice Chair

Steve Bennett, CCPI Chair