College Curriculum Committee

Minutes April 19, 2012 – 3:15 – 321 Linton

In attendance: Dunn (AAH), Watts (English), Beretta (L&L), Rauscher (PHL), Grubbs (RCS), Colson (THR), Blythe (WRAC), Pierce (Undergrad Student Rep), Dai (Grad Student Rep), Fisch-Ferguson (Grad Student Rep), Hoppenstand (UCC Rep), Swenson (Assoc Dean), Walker (Dean's Office), Roraback (Dean's Office). Guest: Arthur Versluis

1. **Approval of the Agenda**
   APPROVED

2. **Approval of March 15 Minutes**
   APPROVED

3. **UCC updates (Hoppenstand - Swenson)**
   Hoppenstand was unable to attend the UCC, but Swenson noted that all CAL curriculum passed. Hoppenstand will serve as UCC Chair in 2012-13.

4. **Teacher Education Council updates (Swenson)**
   Swenson reported that the meeting was cancelled.

5. **Curricular requests***

   Philosophy

   - **Course Deletion**
       PHL 343   Elections and Health Care
     Rauscher explained that the course was developed for the 2008 elections and the faculty member who created the course is no longer teaching philosophy courses.

       APPROVED

   Religious Studies

   - **New Course**
       REL 451   South Asian Religions and Bollywood Film
     Versluis noted that this is Professor Dimitrovas's course and it fits with her background in religion, film and media; it is a standard seminar.

     It was noted that in Item 13, the course should be listed as selective not required.

       APPROVED with friendly amendments

     Change in Course
       REL 150   Introduction to Biblical Literature
     Versluis noted that this course is usually taught twice per year and this change would be consistent with a move within the department toward making all 100 level courses open only to freshmen and sophomores.

       APPROVED with friendly amendments

WRAC

- **Change in Program**
    BA Professional Writing

It was suggested that the section on credits needed for the Internship be clarified to show that WRA 455 cannot fulfill 3b and 3d and that credits earned under one option cannot be used to fill requirements under another option.

It was suggested that the wording be changed in 3d to note that one or two courses may be taken from outside of WRAC with the advisor's approval.

APPROVED with friendly amendments

6. **New Program (Request vote in June)**
    BA in Experience Architecture

Swenson noted that relatively new hires in Professional Writing, WRAC, Graphic Design and Studio Art have been working closely with faculty in Computer Science (College of Engineering) to develop a new major: Experience Architecture. These faculty members have expertise in computer science as it related to the humanities and design for human experiences in a range of contexts. Before coming to academe, they have worked in Experience Architecture positions in large multi-national companies such as Microsoft and IBM as well as start-up ventures.

Over the last few months, they have developed a proposal for this new major along with attendant new courses and drawing on existing courses across several departments, including AAHD, WRAC, Computer Science and PHL. Swenson asked CCC members if they would be amenable to reviewing and voting on the curriculum during the first week of June after it has gone through a final revision process, and the committee agreed.

Approved: June 8, 2012
Amendments Approved: Sept 6, 2012.

Swenson thanked the CCC members for their work over the year and care and attention to curriculum issues and proposals. Swenson thanked undergraduate representative Tracy Pierce for her participation and for continuing next year with the CCC; she also thanked graduate student representative Jennifer Fisch-Ferguson for her contributions.

The meeting was adjourned.

* Curricular requests can be viewed at https://www.reg.msu.edu/forms/formsmenu.asp "Academic Programs" and "COURSES." If you have difficulty accessing any of the information, please contact Theresa Walker (walkerth@msu.edu) to request hard copies.