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College Curriculum Committee – November 14, 2019

Attendance: Dionne O'Dell, Robert McCann, Quinn Moreno (on behalf of Beth Judge), David Stowe, Brandon Lawler, Senta Goertler, Miguel Cabanas, Casey McArdle, Zack Kruse, Gretel Van Wieren, Cara Cilano and Leann Dalimonte.

Guests: Yael Aronoff, Patrick Arnold

Meeting started at 3:16pm

Minutes: 11/14/2019 3:15 – 5:00 321 Linton

1. Approval of the Agenda – Senta moved, Zack seconded, agenda approved with the reorder of curriculum items to accommodate guest speakers.
2. Approval of 10/24/2019 Meeting Minutes – Casey motioned, Miguel seconded, minutes approved unanimously.
3. Associate Dean's Welcome & Remarks
 - a. Documentation provided of proposed changes from UCUE in relation to the drop/add policy under flat rate tuition and SIS modernization
 - i. Department level concerns for the timeframe of the drop/add periods and the W designation for students within that timeframe
 - b. Future discussion on new AL designated course/program changes
 - i. CUC foundational discussion for these types of proposals
 - ii. Shared governance
4. UCC-Sub C Updates from 10/31/19 – Alison Dobbins

All of the CAL proposed changes passed and will be made official at the UCC full meeting in November. The next UCC Sub – C meeting will be in January.

- NEW Minor in Popular Culture Studies – Passed (Representative Dr. David Stowe and Dr. Gary Hoppenstand in attendance)
- ENG340 – passed
- ENG394 - passed, with the friendly amendment to change the pre-requisite language to “Open to students in the English minor or English major. Not open to Freshmen”
- Deletion of Disciplinary Teaching Minor in Latin – Passed
- Alterations to Minor in Women’s and Gender Studies – passed, with the friendly amendment by Dr. Stephanie Nawyn to not delete select courses that were unintentionally marked for deletion.
 - (1) Do not delete SOC 216
 - (2) No change
 - (3) Do not delete ENG 482
 - (4) Do not delete ISS 320, WS 404



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(5) No change

- AAHD Courses – passed with the friendly amendment to change the course description. Friendly amendment approved by Dept. representative Dr. Karin Zitzewitz
 - HA 801 – no change
 - HA 802 – “Methods of research as used by contemporary artists and designers explored through artistic case studies, practical sessions, and projects.”

Linguistics Courses – passed with friendly amendment to change the course descriptions. Friendly amendment approved by Dept. representative Dr. Deo Ngonyani

- LIN 226 – “Interdisciplinary methods to understand language and cognitive capacities of animals and humans. Considers our preconceived or received notions (folk understandings) of animals in comparison to findings from recent scientific studies.”
- LIN 499E – “Individual research project supervised by faculty members. Conduct independent research, prepare undergraduate thesis, present at a conference or other public forum.”

5. CUC Updates from 11/12/19

- a. Mark Largent was the guest speaker
 - i. Notified CUC that a general education reform is coming
 - Focus on:
 - a. Access & equity
 - b. IAH & ISS
 - c. OCCI Implications
 - d. Values vs outcomes
 - ii. Notified us on the real reasoning behind the block tuition
 - Engler approved without having a smaller student testing group (incoming freshman) rollout due to the funding advantages

6. Curricular Items

- a. Programs:
 - i. Jewish Studies MNUN – Yael Aronoff
 - Adding a Social Science track to the Jewish Studies minor.
 - Recommendation to strike HEB ‘101 or higher’ from the old language on the main JS minor in #15 requirement intro.
 - Recommendation to update ISS and IAH language in the main minor to assist/advise students on what can count.
 - Gretel motioned, Miguel seconded, program unanimously approved with the few minor changes.
- b. Courses:
 - i. WS 102 – Patrick Arnold
 - New 100 level course as no other 100 level courses exist within the program, & expanding the class size beyond 30



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- Demand is high on WS 201, and having a 100 level course should produce for good enrollment on an intro level course
 - Recommendation to remove the last sentence in #1 as it is a future change and not currently applicable.
 - Brandon motioned, Dionne seconded, course unanimously approved with the small recommended change.
- ii. FLM 434 – David Stowe
- Prerequisite update to include screenwriting introduction course before taking advanced screenwriting
 - Recommendation to update typo in #1, and remove associated items in #7 from the previous iteration.
 - Miguel motioned, Brandon seconded, course approved unanimously with the small recommended changes.
7. Experiential Learning Review
- a. Discussion on approvals, language used, location of information, form versions and changes to a course through EL and not curriculum.
8. Other Business

Meeting adjourned at 4:35pm