



# College of Arts & Letters MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

## College Curriculum Committee – October 15, 2020

Minutes: 10/15/2020 3:15-5:00 Zoom: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/96993348261> Passcode: 627152

Attendance: Sandy Burnley, Kristie Dotson, Kiera Gilbert, Beth Judge, Casey McArdle, David Godden, Miguel Cabanas, Lily Woodruff, Senta Goertler, Gretel Van Wieren, Ellen Moll, Ryan Welsh, Evan Christopherson, Cara Cilano, and Leann Dalimonte.

Guests: Carmen De Lorenzo, Devin McAuley, Salah Hassan

Meeting started at 3:16pm

1. Approval of the Agenda – Miguel motioned, Casey seconded, agenda approved unanimously.
2. Approval of 9/17/2020 Meeting Minutes – Miguel motioned, David seconded, minutes approved with the additions of attendance list & submitted by mention.
3. Associate Dean's Remarks
  - a. Welcomed and thanked everyone for their time and participation on the committee during remote teaching and our current climate
4. UCC Sub C Updates from 10/8/2020
  - a. Quick overview of UCC process
  - b. All changes for CAL were approved at the UCC-Sub C meeting including the addition of REL285 in the Entrepreneurship minor
    - i. Changes to prerequisites for STA 491E and STA 493
    - ii. Changes to departmental affiliation for WS 351
    - iii. Addition of REL 285 - Introduction to Social Entrepreneurship and Religion to the Minor in Entrepreneurship and Innovation in the Business school.
  - c. 10/29/2020 is the full UCC Committee
5. Curriculum Freeze Update
  - a. No curriculum freeze for SS21 and US21
6. Curriculum:
  - a. Updates to ACM/MUSM Package approved last month
    - i. There were recommendations from the Provost's Office before the package goes to UCC. Those updates were to the course descriptions at the 800 level to differentiate from the mirrored 400 level courses. Also to clean up the pre-requisites and co-requisites at both course levels to have their pre-requisite options be "or concurrently" instead of required as a co-requisite.

- ii. Committee approved the amended changes
- b. Programs
  - i. Cognitive Science MNUN – Devin McAuley
    - 3 types of changes:
      - a. Eliminate outdated courses that are not offered
      - b. Update of course codes and numbers for newly changed or created courses across units
      - c. Addition of new courses
    - The minor is an interdisciplinary minor in CSS and the capstone course has been updated as well
    - Recommendations:
      - a. h. add “an” to students will gain an understanding
      - b. update language to say ‘0’ instead of lower for projected costs
      - c. Double check CSC courses that were recently approved have the correct numbers
    - Miguel motioned, Senta seconded, the CogSci minor is approved with the completion of the recommendations.
  - ii. Philosophy MNUN
  - iii. Philosophy and Law MNUN – David Godden
    - Reconciling traditions courses across the minors and majors. Removing PHL 101 as a means to satisfy that requirement.
      - a. Removal of approval of advisor to reduce the number of overrides and allowed for ease of enrollments
      - b. Updated the language for the minimum credit requirements
    - Questions:
      - a. Do you think the language of removing the approval of the advisor is enough? Students still have to speak with an advisor anyway.
        - i. David explained, Beth clarified this fixes the issue in Degree Navigator, but the program will be obsolete soon so we can communicate the change is needed in Campus Solutions.
      - b. General question about not having an intro to the minor course
        - i. It was a legacy decision, students don’t typically start out in the major and have different experiences of their path in philosophy and to the minor
        - ii. Also the reason they have their prerequisites set up the way they do in the 400 level PHL courses
    - Miguel motioned, Casey seconded, PHL Minors approved unanimously.
- c. GSAH Package – Salah Hassan
  - i. Refinement of GSAH program and courses surrounding the current structure of course offerings
  - ii. GSAH MNUN
    - Reduce the number of required GSAH course work and apply courses more broadly across the 200 level

- Miguel motioned, Casey seconded, committee approved the MNUN with the completion of the recommended changes.
- iii. GSAH BA
  - Senta motioned, Miguel seconded, committee approved the BA with the completion of the recommended changes.
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- iv. GSAH 201, 301, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 391, 450
  - Miguel motioned, Senta seconded, with completion of the recommended changes.
- v. Package Questions:
  - UCC inquiry: concerned about the vagueness of the credentials and wondering if it will be clear to students? Can this be summarized by approval of advisor?
  - #15 Minor – it's text heavy and the question is who approves the relevant coursework as the requirement referenced in #3?
    - a. Language requirement clarification
      - i. GSAH is aligning their language requirement with CALs language req.
  - #15 Major: Question about the approval of last requirements in d), followed by a discussion about who should be approving the experience to fulfill the EL requirements – the advisor or the director or both.
  - Recommendations:
    - a. Clean up faculty listing in #10 in the MNUN and BA
    - b. Update the language requirement in the BA in #15 point 2.
      - i. Specifically GRM offerings: GRM 301, 302, 303, 304 or GRM 311 all are now what GRM 302 would have meant before.
    - c. Identify the courses that need to be approved by the advisor and the courses that are options that do not need to be approved for clarity of course offerings for the students in both programs
    - d. #15 d) in the BA update the approval to the Director of the program and the advisor
      - i. Rec: "Approved international experiences...."
    - e. A few courses might need sign-off from JMC, PHL, FLM and CSS (specifically 313 & 314).
    - f. GSAH 314: #5 Update appropriate course description as it was copied from previous.

d. Courses

- i. ITL 300 – Carmen De Lorenzo
- ii. Overview: Course offering to supplement study abroad that will not run and provide students with an immersion into Italian culture that might lead them to interest in the language minor.
- iii. Question about proficiency needed in the Italian language and discussion about the language used as a bridge course to upper level language courses
  - Recommendations:

- #5 UCC rep recommendation to shorten the course description
- Add language that students could take instead of S.A.
  - a. Update the rationale in #1
- #11 remove the & and add 'and'
- #12 clean up a few typos in the sample sources
- iv. Senta motioned, Miguel seconded, the course will go back to the unit for revisions and will return to CCC in November.
- v. GRK 102
  - Reinstate a sunsetted course and allow for sequence with GRK 101
    - a. Has been taught as an IS course with demand increasing and can funnel students into the Classics Minor
  - David motioned, Casey seconded, reinstate GRK 102 approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:09pm