

Curriculum Committee Minutes

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

12:20 – MCCC-319 and virtual

Present: Jason Barr, Mari Clements, Denise Ellyson, Jeff Hunter, Jonathan Minton, Gary Morris, Connie Stout O'Dell, David O'Dell, Ann Reed, Sara Sawyer

Guests: Megan Darby, Tim Konhaus, Gerda Kumpiene, Dana Wilson

Virtual: Jeff Bryson, Schuyler Chapman, Kaitlyn Ensor, Rico Gazal, Dwight Heaster, Cheryl McKinney, Jasmine Tarman, Will Vann

Virtual Guests: Shelly Ratliff, Ed Wood

The minutes for the November 3rd meeting were approved with a minor modification noting EDUC 345 aligns with SCNC 405 (D. O'Dell/Heaster)

Old Business

Language and Literature – The Department requested the following courses be removed from the course offerings. The courses were unique to the Communication Arts minor (CART 204, 210, 220, 223, 224, 305, 306, 311, 340 and 493). In addition, the following Spanish courses are recommended for removal from the course offerings. (SPAN 101, 102, 203, 204, 302, 305, 308, 310, 403, 407, 409). SPAN 308 will also be removed as an elective for the BA/BAED English. (Barr/Bryson)

Science and Mathematics – The following modifications to the Biology Program:

1. Revised pre-requisites and/or objectives for BIOL 120, 121, 193. (Barr/O'Dell)
2. Course title change and pre-requisites modified for BIOL 293. (Chapman/Bryson)
3. BIOL 470 was modified to 4 credit hours (to include a lab). BIOL 497 was added as an elective in the Biology program. (O'Dell/Chapman)

The math minor was updated. Clarification was requested at the next meeting regarding "Students must complete MATH 115 or equivalent as part of the General Education requirements. Either MATH 120 or MATH 125 may count toward the minor." (O'Dell/Bryson)

Three new math courses MATH 108, MATH 265, and MATH 309 were presented. The following courses were discontinued MATH 303, 310 and 315. Pre-requisites to the general education Math courses, including the "S" sections were presented MATH 202. (O'Dell/Bryson)

SCNC 106 – Conceptual Physics was approved and has been offered at FCI-Gilmer as SCNC 199. Could this course be offered as an option for online students?

New Business

Teacher Education – Dr. Hunter presented a summary of the changes to Education programs as required by WV Policy 5100 to include a full-year Residency model with an implementation date of Fall 2021.

A motion to accept that changes in EDUC 310, 309 and 345 was endorsed in support of programmatic changes. (Bryson/Heaster)

EDUC 310 – Classroom Management from 2 to 3 credit hours

EDUC 309 – General Music Methods and Materials from 2 to 1 credit hour

EDUC 345 - Teaching Science in Middle and Adolescent Education (5-adult) from 3 to 2 credit hours

SPAN 308 – Survey of Hispanic Literature removed from the English (5-adult) list of electives.

A motion was made to approve a new course EDUC 127 – PRAXIS Core Readiness for 1 credit hour, grading mode is Credit/No credit (C Stout-O’Dell/Barr)

The Biology (9-adult) program was pulled for cleanup. The proposal meets the state standards but concern was expressed about the NSTA competencies.

Dr. Morris requested that given the volume of materials received there would need to be two meetings during final exams extended below one hour to allow more time for questions. He also requested committee members begin their review and ask questions right away.

The meeting adjourned.

Patty Snyder