

Curriculum Committee Meeting

Minutes

October 18, 2022

Present: Dwight Heaster, Kenneth Lang, Larry Baker, Jason Barr, Rico Gazal, Kevin Evans, Kaitlin Ensor, Gerda Kumpiene, Schuyler Chapman, Cheryl McKinney, Tim Konhaus, Rachel Adams

Absent: Gary Morris, Jonathan Minton, Sara Sawyer, Chloe Griffith

Guests: Ann Reed, Leisa Dean, Connie Stout, Elizabeth Matory

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Baker motioned to approve the October 4th meeting minutes, Dr. Heaster seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Business Department Action

- Documents were updated based on feedback from the last meeting
- Mrs. McKinney motioned to approve the changes, Dr. Konhaus seconded. Motion passed

MSCJ

- The department revised documents based on feedback from the last meeting (changes are highlighted). The course rotation was updated based on students taking 9 hours per semester
- Dr. Ensor asked for clarification on post-assessment. The department changed the prerequisites for the Capstone course to include assessment piece since students can come in and take any course (except Capstone) in any order. The Assessment score can be input into Banner as a prerequisite (like ACT/SAT scores). This is an independent assessment and not associated with any particular course
- Dr. Konhaus still had concerns with the Thesis course, and suggested offering the Research Project now and adding a Thesis course later. One of the issues brought up was that employers only look at course titles instead of descriptions. Dr. Heaster also commented that as an institution we aren't sure how to keep Thesis information; Dr. Lang has discussed this with Jason Gum to see what options there are. Dr. Ensor was also concerned about Ethics training through IRB, as we don't currently offer Ethics training
- The department will revise documents and provide them for the next meeting

MBA

- Dr. Chapman motioned to approve the MBA, Mr. Baker seconded. Motion passed

New Business

Criminal Justice Department

- The course rotation for CRJU 403 is being changed to Every Spring, rather than SPO
- CRJU 360 (new course) will replace SOCL 312, due to the Social Science Department eliminating all SOCL courses. The content is the same as SOCL 312. Mrs. McKinney pointed out that SOCL 312 was not updated on the Administration of Justice page; Dr. Lang will update
- The department also submitted changes to their program due to the Gen Ed reduction

Land Resources Department

- ENVR 351: the course title was updated last year, but the catalog description was not
- Upper Block Electives List: there was a list of specific courses that students could pick from to take as upper block electives. The department has made this list more general, so that it won't have to be updated as often and so that transfer students have more options to transfer
- WLMT 404: the prerequisites were updated so that it is more open to other students, particularly Biology students
- Gen Ed Reduction: the department submitted their changes for reducing the Gen Ed hours. Two of their programs (Environmental and Forest Technology) did not meet the 39 upper level course requirement that is required for graduation, so those programs were also updated to include the correct hours.
- Dr. Konhaus motioned to approve the changes as presented, Mr. Baker seconded. Motion passed.

Adjournment: Dr. Lang adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

Ashley Nicholas

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