

Minutes
Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee
January 23, 2019
2:15pm-4:30pm
GHH 301

Committee Members: Elliott McKinley SHAE-A X
Rachel McCormack SHAE-ED X
Jennifer Stevens SHAE-HUM, Chair X
Jennifer Pearce SSNS-NS X
June Speakman, SSNS-SS X
Rupayan Gupta GSB X
Dennis Rebelo SCS
Michael Emmer SEECM X
Gail Fenske SAAHP X
Susan McMullen Library X

No Representative from SJS

Guests Judy Platania, Psychology,
Susan McTiernan, GSB

**** Some Curriculum being reviewed are holdovers from last year and were not processed using the new system and are therefore based on paper documentation. Those petitions are indicated by a star. New Petitions are listed on a published agenda posted on Curriculog. ****

1. *Psychology Petitions
 - a. PSYCH 518 Psychological Trauma: Treatments and Intervention NEW COURSE
 - b. PSYCH 522 Biological Perspectives in Mental Health NEW COURSE
 - c. PSYCH 528 Proseminar in Social Psychology NEW COURSE
 - d. PSYCH 529 Health Psychology Interventions NEW COURSE
 - e. PSYCH 536 Proseminar in Cognitive Psychology NEW COURSE
 - f. PSYCH 543 Substance Abuse Counseling NEW COURSE
 - g. Forensic Mental Health Counseling M.A. (Changes to program requirements)
 - h. Forensic and Legal Psychology M.A. (Changes to program requirements)
 - i. Bank PSYCH 508 and PSYCH 520

Discussion

Don't have paper trail or approvals on line due to change of system, need to verify with Dean that he approved courses verbally.

Motion: verbally verify with dean to confirm approval on a one time basis only because the computer system changed. (Pearce, McCormack) Passed, 7-1-0

Dean Greenstein visited and verified his approval.

New Course PSYCH 500 not included in materials sent by SNSS committee, will be considered at next meeting.

Discussion of similar programs in Rhode Island, low enrollment of students avoided through each class being a cohort of students,

Motion: To approve the psychology proposals as a block except PSYCH500,(Speakman, Pearce) 8-0-0

Motion: Approve conditionally courses that require PSYCH500 which has not been approved yet, To approve the block, (Speakman, Pearce) 8-0-0

2. *Math Petitions
 - a. Applied Math B.S. (change in requirements)Motion to Approve (Speakman, McKinley), 8-0-0

Reorder agenda to address JD/MBA due to arrival of Dean McTiernan

3. JD/ MBA combined degree proposal

Discussion:

Are all these students going to be former RWU business undergraduates? No, will recruit from law school as well. Assume students will have some background in business, and have a summer boot camp.

Concern about MBA being appropriate for Law Students who did not attend RWU or have business background. MBA was designed as a 4+1 program for RWU students.

Primary audience for this program will be Law Students who want some business background

Doesn't have a business plan attached for just this program, only have one for the MBA which is significantly different. Discussion of differences between programs and rigor of different programs. This is not a new degree, but adding electives to an existing program that opens it up to law students on campus. Have to be a student in good standing in the law school after one year to apply. Concern that as described the purpose of the program and how it will work with the existing program. Is the program ready for this addition? Not clear as presented. Business plan is the same one that was used when the MBA program was proposed and is three years old. Needs updating for the current proposal.

Motion to return petition to business school cc to be reconsidered after receipt of a current business plan and clarification of program and requirements for the program. (Stevens, Emmer) 8-0-1

Motion to approve CNST and CMSC changes as a block (Pearce, Stevens): 9-0-0

4. Construction Management Petitions
 - a. CNST 250 Construction Equipment (change in pre-req)
 - b. CNST 501 Construction Research Seminar (adjust credits)
 - c. CNST 505 Construction Business Management and Development NEW COURSEMotion to approve as block: (McKinley and McCormack) 9-0-0

5. Communications Petitions
 - a. COMM 295 Mass Comm Theory and Criticism (correct pre-req)Motion to Approve (McMullen, Emmer), 9-0-0

6. Computer Science Petitions
 - a. CMSC 340 Analysis of Algorithms (change pre-req)

- b. CMSC 380 Game Design and Development NEW COURSE
 - c. Computer Science B.S. (adjust requirements)
- Motion to Approve as Block (Speakman, Emmer), 9-0-0

7. Public Relations Petition

- a. PR 111 Writing for the Mass Meeting (correct pre-req)
- Motion to Approve (Fenske, Emmer), 9-0-0

Future Meetings:

February 13

March 20

April 10

May 8