

Agenda
Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee
November 14, 2018
2:15pm-4:30pm
GHH 301

Committee Members: XElliott McKinley SHAE-A
XRachel McCormack SHAE-ED
XJennifer Stevens SHAE-HUM, Chair
XJennifer Pearce SSNS-NS
XJune Speakman, SSNS-SS
XRupayan Gupta GSB
XDennis Rebelo SCS
XMichael Emmer SEECM
XGail Fenske SAAHP
XSusan McMullen Library

No Representative from SJS

Guests: Paul Bender for GECPC, Linda Viera(registrar), Karen Poltrino (registrar),
Dan O'Driscoll (registrar)

1. Update on new Curriculum System

**** All Curriculum being reviewed are holdovers from last year and were not processed using the new system and are therefore based on paper documentation.****

2. GECPC Petitions

- a. Removal of Core Concentration restriction between Anthropology+Sociology and Psychology
Motion to Approve (Speakman, Fenske) 10-0-0
- b. Public Health Core Concentration
Motion to Approve (Pearce, McKinley) 10-0-0
- c. Change in language to Sustainability Core Concentration language
Motion to Approve (Pearce, Rebelo) 10-0-0

3. Approval of Core C4 petitions and implementation questions

GECPC Chair Bender reports that the GECPC has approved four courses to be designated as C-4. They are essentially Core 104 with specific themes. How best to make them visible in the schedule and the catalog? Can there be variable course descriptions with the same course number?

Registrar O'Driscoll suggests a numbering convention as follows:

Core 104.01.....Core 104.12.....for sections of Lit/Phil as it stands currently
Core 104a.01, Core 104b.01, Core 104c.01 for the themes sections.

Remaining questions:

Which courses must go through the full curriculum review?

What about cross-listed courses (Core 104a and Eng 100, for example)

4. ASL Petition

a. ASL 330 Storytelling through Signing (second attempt)
Full documentation has been provided by Chair Blackburn, including a signed affidavit of departmental signoff, a syllabus, and the Curricunet proposal.
Motion to approve ASL 330 (Speakman, McMullen) 10-0-0

5. Possible change in FSCC By Laws

a. Motion 1: to revise the bylaws of FSCC to say “for schools or divisions where no Senator is available to serve, the Faculty senate elections committee will conduct an election to provide a faculty member to serve as a representative in that division.”

OR

b. Motion 2: to revise the bylaws of FSCC to say “for schools or divisions where no Senator is available to serve, the Dean of the school or college shall ask for volunteers, and if more than one volunteer emerges, shall conduct an election to provide a faculty member to serve as a representative.”

The Senate requested that the FSCC change its bylaws to alter the procedure for the filling of committee vacancies. Discussion focused on whether or not this was an individual committee decision or should be the purview of the Senate at large.

Motion (Speakman, McKinley): FSCC committee vacancies that are to be filled by non-Senators should be addressed by an election conducted by the Faculty Senate Elections Committee to fill the vacancies.

Motion to table (Pearce, Rebelo) 10-0-1

Chair Stevens will communicate to the Faculty Senate President that the FSCC recommends that the Senate by-laws be changed to address the issue of filling vacancies on the several Senate committees.

6. Department of University Studies Curriculum Committee

Division of University Studies curriculum process

Discussion focused on how new interdisciplinary majors should move through the curriculum process.

Can they be proposed by DUS? If so, by whom?

Or should they be sponsored by a particular department?

How should the DUS Curriculum Committee be constituted?

Motion (Fenske, McCormack): To create an effective Division of University Studies, the FSCC recommends the creation of a stronger curriculum committee, composed of the directors of each interdisciplinary program, who are compensated adequately, and in charge of curriculum, planning, resource requests and scheduling, and who report to a Dean of University Studies. 10-0-0

Future Meetings:

December 12 (If Necessary)

February 13

March 20

April 10

May 8