

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 31, 2025

Attendees: Tina Babb, Kristin McDonald-Willey, Edie Carter, David Hall, Becky Easton, Ernesto Olmos, Kimberly Crowley, Becky Burton, Dolores Arambula, Michelle Lamons, Kim Boyd, Michael Hannen, Derreck Jett, Rochelle Fouts, Dave Van Domelen, Stefanie Decker, Maria Johnson, Amanda Lester-Chisum, Becky Byrd, Sue Vandagriff, Penelope Davies, Carrie Hoffman, Catherine Frazer, Elisa Alvarado, Kelly Steelman, Melissa Eder

Guests: Eric Wallace, Stephen Malley, Wade Olsen, Michael Hart, Robert Clarke, Christina Gonzales, Richard Hobbs, Adrine Harrell-Carter, Tony Tackitt, Mark Usnick, Brent Cavanaugh, Michele Rupe

1. 12.6.24 Minutes: The minutes were presented without comments. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all to approve the minutes as-is.
2. Consent Agenda Items
 - a. CHEM 1405 - Lec/lab hours reduced from 3, 4 to 3 lec/3 lab. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
 - b. RNSG.AAS petition approved for title change of RNSG 2261 to Clinical Transition Concepts. Additionally the removal of RNSG 1160, 1261, 1263, 1362, 2160, and 2161 were approved to be removed from the inventory as they are unused since the change to concept-based. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
3. FIRS.AAS and Certs revision - Program revisions to the basic certificate and the AAS

were presented to include options for students to select 7 out of 10 courses to take online. Both the intermediate and advanced certificates were approved to be deactivated due to continuous low enrollment. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

4. LGLA.AAS - Students now have an opportunity to take LGLA 1349: Constitutional Law in the AAS program. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
5. ENGR.AS.COMPSC - The major program requirements for Engineering Computer Science will now require a “C” or better to move on within the program. Our main transfer partner, WTAMU, confirms they will not accept anything lower than a grade of “C.” A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
6. EMSP Paramedic and EMT Certificates - Fees were added to both certificates to assist the students to be more successful. \$100 fee to EMSP 1438 and 1456 in the paramedic program and \$100 fee for the EMSP 1501 course in the EMT program was approved. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
7. CNBT.AAS - IEIR 1302 and IEIR 1304 courses are deleted and in their place we will offer ELPT 1311 and ELPT 2347 which are more construction-related courses. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
8. ARTC.AAS - The ARTV 1341 course will now have a prerequisite of ARTV 1303. The ARTV 2351 course will now have a prerequisites of ARTV 1341 and ARTV 1345. This does not add SCH to the program; a reordering of courses for the students. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
9. PHTC.AAS - Deletion of PHTC 1313 with the addition of COMM 2327. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
10. COMM.AS.MCOMM - A compliance issue was identified. ARTC 1325 is a WECM course in this transfer program and needed replacement by an ACGM course to meet

compliance requirements. ARTC 2313 is an ACGM course with similar outcomes and will take its place in the curriculum for the Mass Media transfer program. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

11. RADT.AAS - Program closure was presented as the number of students we graduate and move onto the labor market in Texas is minimal (2 in Amarillo and 2 in Lubbock). This is a fully online program with graduates across the nation. We do not receive House Bill 8 funding for students who graduate outside of Texas. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
12. RADR.AAS - Adding a fee to RADR 2235 to prepare students for the board exam. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
13. PTHA.AAS - A fee schedule was presented to remove and add fees to PTHA courses. All were approved with the exception of PTHA 2317 as the exact amount is unknown at this time. The fee request for PTHA 2317 is tabled at this time. All other fee requests were approved. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
14. RSPT.AAS - A fee schedule was presented to remove one fee from a course and add a fee to two other courses. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
15. MDCA.AAS - Program revisions presented for the clinical certificate and AAS degree to remove 14SCH (4 courses) and replace it with 14 SCH (5 courses including BIOL 2420). The Clinical certificate will remain at 16 SCH and students will be able to receive FA funding. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.
16. NURA.CERT - Program deactivation presented while leaving 2 courses in the inventory. NURA 1401 and NURA 1160 will remain in the inventory if students wish to enter the Nursing program with these two courses as a prerequisite to the Nursing program. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

17. Tina led a follow-up discussion on grades of “D” being removed from the grading scale. She will provide the Committee with the grade distribution analysis that Collin Witherspoon has conducted. Approximately 3% of our student body earn grades of “D,” which is not significant enough to warrant the removal of “D” from the grading scale. Additionally, technical certificate programs that are concerned with students earning all grades of “D” and moving into industry, should be aware that students must earn a 2.0 to graduate. Once the Committee reviews the analysis via email, and if questions arise, we will consider an additional meeting to discuss further.