
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2018

Members present: Michael Hart, Edie Carter, Dennis Sarine, Shawna Lopez, Mark Rowh, Stefanie Decker, Michelle Orcutt, Isaac Bernal, Carol Buse, David Hall, Michael Kitten, Collin Witherspoon, Margie Netherton, Diane Brice, Victoria Taylor-Gore, Penelope Davies, Eric Fauss, Carol Summers, Claudie Biggers, Ernesto Olmos, Kim Crowley, Tina Babb, Becky Burton, Kelly Steelman, Daniel Esquivel, Renee Vincent, Frank Sobey

1. CC minutes from 9/14/18: A committee member requested more information be added to the minutes concerning the discussion on changing the last day to withdraw. The chair provided the additional information and asked if there were any objections. A motion was made to approve the minutes with the additional language. It was seconded and approved.
2. Consent Agenda: The chair asked for comments on the items in the consent agenda. It was noted that BASR 1301, 1302, and 1305 are not currently in the inventory and, in fact, do not exist. The chair acknowledged that the course numbers were incorrect and that no BASR courses were up for deletion as part of the consent agenda. A committee member wondered why courses like FREN 1411 and SLNG 1321 were being deleted from the inventory. The chair, as well as other members, pointed out that the enrollment for the courses had declined precipitously over the years and the deletions would have no impact on existing programs. A motion was made to approve the consent agenda, with the changes noted for BASR. It was seconded and approved.
3. Petitions: Dr. Stefanie Decker presented the course addition petition for HIST 2301. A question was asked about whether or not HIST 2301 should be added to the core, at a future date, for the D&D students to have another option. Dr. Decker and Dean Taylor-Gore will discuss this possibility with the Director of IE about what that would entail. A motion was made to approve the addition of HIST 2301. It was seconded and approved.
4. Withdrawal Date: The issue of whether to bring a recommendation to Cabinet about moving the last date to withdraw to an earlier date in each term was revisited. The chair began with a recap of what had been discussed in the last meeting. More discussion ensued concerning the impact on the 8wk co-req model; the fact that, in some courses, a significant percentage of the course grade is still available at or immediately after the current 80% withdrawal date; and the new cancellation policy timeline. The chair shared with the committee what the Master Schedule Task Force is doing and discussing to alleviate the burden of getting students back on track, when they fail or withdraw from a course. The committee voted to continue the discussion, in later meetings, by examining other data.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.