
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

JANUARY 24TH, 2020

Members Present: Renee Vincent, Kim Crowley, Kim Boyd, Eric Fauss, Dennis Sarine, Becky Easton, Toni Gray, Jon McGuire, Carol Summers, Isaac Bernal, Mandi Wheeler, Kelly Steelman, Dan Ferguson, Collin Witherspoon, Kristin McDonald-Willey, Richard Hobbs, Linda Munoz, David Hall, Mark Nair, Carol Buse, Sandy Brannan, Penelope Davies, Daniel Esquivel, Edie Carter, Lesley Ingham, Walt Webb, Margie Netherton, Claudie Biggers, Frank Sobey

1. The CC minutes for 12.13.19 were approved with an emendation.
2. The consent agenda was approved without questions or comments.
3. BIOL.AS revision – The Chair of the Biology Department petitioned to replace the Life and Physical Science requirements with CHEM 1411 and 1412 to improve the transferability of the degree. The CHEM courses are required for a variety of concentrations/tracks at our four-year partner institutions. No concerns were raised, but the committee asked for confirmation that the courses are accepted. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all.
4. GEOG 1303 for TTU 2+1 EDUC – The Chair of the Education Department petitioned to add GEOG 1303 to the inventory and the core to create a track within the GENS.AS.EDUC that would allow our EDUC students to pursue the Teach Tech 2+1 pathway, as TTU requires the GEOG course. Committee members asked questions about the 2+1 pathway transition from AC to TTU and what it would mean for our region in terms of addressing the K-12 teacher shortage. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all.
5. Construction certificates – The committee chair informed the committee that these stackable certificates would be embedded in the construction trades and carpentry AAS degrees, which were approved at the last meeting. The committee asked questions about how students would move through the certificates toward an AAS, what their prospects would be in the workforce, and how AC would partner with area high schools. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by all.