

MINUTES

University Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Tuesday, September 1, 2015

16A Leonard Hall

I. Call to Order

In attendance: Ali, Clewell, Deckert, Fair, Freda, Hess, Killam, Lewis, McDevitt, Mocek, Pararai, Pistole, Racchini, Sechrist, and Wachter.

Excused: Greenawalt Absent: None

II. Approval of Minutes from August 25, 2015 Curriculum Committee Meeting

On an Ali/McDevitt motion, the minutes for August 25th 2015 were approved as amended.

III. Co-Chairs Report

Yesterday the Co-chairs of the Graduate Committee and the UWUCC met with Mocek and Eric from IT about modifications to adapt to the new online system. Only when there are major changes to a proposal will the proposal be returned to the beginning of the approval process. The proposers will now be given editorial rights when it reaches the UWUCC level so that they can correct relatively minor wording changes. The co-chairs also have editorial rights to correct typos and other minor changes (while informing the proposer). There will be a dashboard where the committees can tell the proposers what tasks they need to perform. The proposal will be pending or provisional until the changes are made and then after the committees verify that the corrections have been made then they would be marked as approved.

IV. Liberal Studies Committee Report

Minutes of August 27, 2015

V. Items for Review/Possible Action:

- a. 15-28a GEOS 119 Geology of Energy Resources, new course
 - The course cannot be both a NS course and a LS elective. We assume that the LS elective, scientific reasoning box should be unchecked. The course is best suited as a natural science knowledge area course.
 - Question on the number of total students in the online vs. the distance education section. Is this because of the essay exams in the DE section and not in the brick and mortar version?
 - LSC was not sure what “open elective” meant. Free elective? This is an issue with the forms not with the proposal.
 - Second sentence in the section on implications for other departments, suggest changing the first programs to departments to make less confusing.
 - 2nd and 3rd sentences of the catalog description need verbs at the beginning. Compares patterns and Studies relationships
 - On a Killam/Pararai motion the proposal was provisionally approved.
- b. 15-28b GEOS 119 Geology of Energy Resources, distance education
 - Why difference in size of course between f-2-f vs. online. See above.

- Why is there a difference between what is expected between the f-2-f and online students?
- On a Killam/Pararai motion the proposal was provisionally approved.
- c. 15-32a SAFE 104 Introduction to Safety in the Natural Gas Industry, new course
 - Replace graduate assistants with Teacher associates/temporary faculty.
 - On a Lewis/Pistole motion the proposal was approved. Wachter abstained.
- d. 15-32b SAFE 104 Introduction to Safety in the Natural Gas Industry, distance education.
 - On a Killam/Clewell motion the proposal was approved. Wachter abstained.
- e. 15-32c SAFE 204 Principles of Safety in the Natural Gas Industry, new course
 - The course uses applicable.... to Uses applicable . . . (course description)
 - Emphasizes rather than emphasis. (description)
 - Highlights.... (description)
 - Graduate assistant changed to Teaching Assistant/Temporary Faculty. (last page above the dean's signature)
 - On a Killam/Freda motion the proposal was provisionally approved. Wachter abstained.
- f. 15-35a COMM 205 Making Presentations with Media, course revision, add LSE
 - Learning objectives need to be linked to rationales.
 - Can't have a prerequisite for a LS elective course.
 - Seems more technical than a LS course, suggest revise to meet LS objectives as used to be required in proposals.
 - On a McDevitt/Lewis motion the proposal was returned.
- g. 15-36 MUSC 132 Men's or Women's Chorus, course revision, course title change, catalog description change, modify prerequisites (was Women's Chorus)
 - On a McDevitt/Pararai motion the proposal was approved. Clewell Abstained.
- h. 15-38 ANTH 314 Contemporary Native American Cultures, catalog description change, course title change (was Native Americans)
 - Catalog description: Introduces Native American culture.... Emphasizes the history of..... Write out United States rather than U.S.
 - Will need to modify the sustainability program from "cross listed" to "or"
 - Page 43 and 44 in undergraduate catalog ... same as SOC 314 in Liberal Studies listing will need to be modified as well.
 - On a Freda/Lewis motion the proposal was provisionally approved.
- i. 15-41a GEOG 109 Geographic Information Science and Systems for Energy Applications, new course
 - 2nd sentence of catalog description ... Covers the specifics of selected. Remove "during the course of the semester".
 - catalog description -Remove "will"s in 2nd and 3rd sentence.
 - catalog description -Packages are covered
 - Recommend class size section - Reword last sentence of explanation... "experience"
 - Needs to check DE
 - Student learning outcomes, there are two 4's.

- On a Pararai /Lewis motion the proposal was provisionally approved. Sechrist abstained.
- j. 15-41b GEOG 109 Geographic Information Science and Systems for Energy Applications, distance education
 - On a Wachter/Ali motion the proposal was provisionally approved. Sechrist abstained.
- k. 15-41c GEOG 314 Map and Photograph Interpretation, distance education
 - On a Pistole/Freda motion the proposal was approved. Sechrist abstained.
- l. 15-41d GEOG 316 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems, distance education
 - Typo the word “solve” is misspelled.
On a Lewis/Deckert motion the proposal was approved. Sechrist abstained.
- m. 15-41e GEOG 409 Spatial Analysis Applications in the Energy Sectors Workshop, new course
 - Cat description – Characterizes and reviews.... Or just Characterizes...
 - Cat description – Focuses on...
 - Cat description – replace “such as” with “including”
 - LO #4 - reword verb. Start with “Assess energy development...”
 - On a Killam/Clewell motion the proposal was provisionally approved. Sechrist abstained.
- n. 15-41f GEOG 409 Spatial Analysis Applications in the Energy Sectors Workshop, distance education
 - Make changes from f2f proposal.
 - On a Lewis/Deckert motion the proposal was provisionally approved. Sechrist abstained.
- o. 15-45 Annaliese Piraino, Communications Media, Type I Writing Commitment (one time approval)
 - On a McDevitt/Wachter motion the proposal was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm
Respectfully submitted Justin Fair