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CURRICULAR AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Minutes for the eighth meeting of the 2008-2009 academic year.

I. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2009 in Library Conference Room A, Chairperson Mundorf presiding.

The following members were present: Professors Englander, Honhart, Kovoor, Mahler, Misto, Mundorf and Robbins; Vice Provost Beauvais; Dean Quina; Ms. Lyons represented University College and Special Academic Programs.

It was noted that Consent Agenda items are labeled with a \( C \) and that any member can request that a consent item be discussed.

The consent Agenda items were approved.

II. The Minutes of Meeting #7, March 30, 2009 were approved.

III. REPORTS

Members of the Committee expressed their appreciation to Chairperson Mundorf for putting agenda items into SAKAI

IV UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Items of business remaining from the March 30 Agenda, which could not be approved on April 13, were considered as follows:

A. College of Arts and Sciences (continued from ADDENDUM)

   Department of Political Science

   The change in credits and description for PSC 350 was approved.

B. College of Engineering

   1. Department of Electrical, Biomedical and Computer Engineering

      a. Biomedical Engineering

      1) The addition of BME 360, BME 361, BME 461, BME 468, BME 485 and BME 485 was approved.

      2) The change in curriculum for Biomedical Engineering was approved.

      b. Computer Engineering

      The change in curriculum for Computer Engineering was approved.
c. Electrical Engineering
   2) The change in curriculum in Electrical Engineering
   3) The addition of an Accelerated BS-MS in ELE * was approved.

2. Department of Chemical Engineering
   The addition of an Accelerated BS-MS in CHE* was approved.

3. Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
   The addition of an Accelerated BS-MS in CVE was approved.

4. Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering
   a. The change in curriculum in Industrial and Systems Engineering
   b. The addition of Accelerated BS-MS in ISE* was approved.

5. Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics
   The addition of an Accelerated BS-MS in MCE* was approved.

C. College of the Environment and Life Sciences

1. Department of Biological Sciences
   a. The addition of new temporary course - BIO 263X was approved with change from recitation to seminar.
   b. The addition of BIO 412 and BIO 480 was approved.
   c. The changes in the following courses were approved:
   1) BIO 465: level, number to 365 and description
   2) BIO 321: credits

2. Department of Cell and Molecular Biology
   The change in credits and method of instruction for MTC 195 was approved.

3. Department of Fisheries, Animal and Veterinary Science
   The change in title, description and prerequisites, for AFS 488* was approved.

4. Department of Nutrition and Food Science
   The addition of NFS 440*

*May require action by the Graduate Council.
5. Department of Plant Sciences
   a. The addition of PLS 415 was approved
   b. The change in credits for PLS 301 and PLS 331 was approved.

F. Honors Program
   The change in title, credits, description and prerequisite for HPR 301 and HPR 302 was approved.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. College of Arts and Sciences (Items from Meetings #6 and 7)
   1. Department of Journalism
      The addition of JOR 411 was approved.
   2. Department of Mathematics
      a. The addition of MTH 106 and the inclusion of the statement “Not open to students with credit in 108 or 109 was approved pending receipt of the course schedule.
      b. The change in curricular requirements for the B.S. Mathematics degree was approved.
   3. Department of Music
      a. The changes in the Bachelor of Music degree were approved.
      b. The changes in the Bachelor of Arts degree were approved.
      c. The change in title and description for MUS 421 was approved.
   4. Department of Psychology
      The addition of PSY 477 was approved.
   5. Department of Sociology and Department of Political Science
      The change in prerequisite for SOC 476 (or PSY) 476 was approved.

B. College of Engineering
   1. Department of Chemical Engineering and Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics
      The addition of new temporary course - CHE 474X (or MCE 474X) was approved pending publication on April 30 and receipt of no objections after the seven-day posting period (May 13, 2009).
   2. Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics
. The addition of MCE 472 (or CHE 472) was approved.

3. Department of Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics and Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

   The merger of the departments into the Department of Mechanical, Industrial and Systems Engineering was approved.

C. College of the Environment and Life Sciences

   Department of Plant Sciences

   The change in credits for PLS 306 was approved.

D. College of Human Science and Services

   1. School of Education

      a. The change in description of requirements for the School of Education was approved.

   c. The change in credits for EDC 452 was approved.

   c. The addition of EDC 422 and EDC 425 was approved. Pending further clarification of the description and requirements for EDC 425.

   2. Department of Human Development and Family Studies

      c. The change in prerequisite for HDF 225 was approved.

   3. Department of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design

      c. The change in prerequisite for TMD 402 was approved.

      b. The deletion of HDF 225 as a requirement for TMD and reduction of credits required to 120 were approved.

E. College of Pharmacy

   1. Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences

      c. The change in prerequisite for BPS 333 was approved.

   2. Department of Pharmacy Practice and Department of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Science

      The change in title, credits, description and prerequisite for PHP 410 (or BPS 410) was approved.

   3. Department of Pharmacy Practice

      c. The change in title and prerequisite for PHP 450 was approved.

      c. The change in title for PHP 451 was approved.
F. Online Courses for Summer 2009 as of 4/15/09

1. The following courses submitted by faculty in the Online Fellows Program were approved for online instruction:
   a. COM 415 (Roth)
   b. SOC 212 (Mederer)

2. The AAF300 topic, Black Identity and the Social World (Barber), was approved pending notification of the instructor that incompletes would not be accepted. It was also suggested that the instructor review the syllabus for typographical errors.

G. Summer Procedures for consideration of Temporary Courses

Following discussion, the recommendation that the CAC follow its past practice of considering and approving X courses by mail between the last meeting in the spring and the first meeting in the fall as long as there are no objections. If objections are raised, consideration of the temporary course(s) will be postponed until the first CAC meeting in the fall was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Black Grubman