University Curriculum Committee
Minutes
November 13, 2015

Members Present: Brighouse, Brown, Green, Fadl, Howard, Ingham, Moser, Smith, Wiegmann

Members Absent: Kapust

The meeting began at: 9:03 am

Summary of actions:
  • Proposals 1-8, 10-16, 18-34, 36, 38-40, 42-45, 47, 48, 50-57, 59 were approved
  • Proposals 41, 46, 58 were conditionally approved
  • Proposals 9, 17, 35, 49, 60 were deferred
  • Proposal 37 was tabled

I. Consent item – Minutes of the October 23, 2015 meeting
Motion by Brown to approve, unanimously approved.

II. Course proposal review
A. Consent Agenda
Brown moved; Ingham seconded. All course changes on the consent agenda were approved unanimously.

Course Change Proposals

Arts & Humanities
1. African Languages & Literature 120 The Literary Legacy of the Arabs
   Type: Change number, title, description

2. African Languages & Literature 130 Introduction to Swahili Culture
   Type: Change number, title, description

3. Art Department 528 Computer-Mediated Art
   Type: Change title, repeatability, prerequisite

4. Design Studies 421 History of European Interiors: Ancient Through 18th Century
   Type: Change title, description

5. Design Studies 422 History of American Interiors, 1620-1950
   Type: Change title, description, prerequisite
6. German 267  Yiddish Song and the Jewish Experience
Type: Change number, crosslists, level

**Biological Sciences**
7. CRB 620  Eukaryotic Molecular Biology
Type: Change subject, crosslist

8. Dairy Science 272  Pre-Capstone Seminar
Type: Change description, prerequisites

10. Microbiology 527  Physiology of Microorganisms Laboratory
Type: Change title, description, prerequisite

11. Population Health Sciences 712  Leadership In Medicine and Public Health
Type: Change title

12. Zoology 520  Ornithology
Type: Change crosslist, prerequisites, description
The prerequisite should include BIOCORE 383 not BIOCORE 382

13. Zoology 521  Birds of Southern Wisconsin
Type: Change description, prerequisites
The prerequisite should include BIOCORE 383 not BIOCORE 382.

**Physical Sciences**
14. Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences 323  Science of Climate Change
Type: Change breadth

15. Computer Sciences 761  Advanced Machine Learning
Type: Change crosslist, prerequisites

16. Computer Sciences 524  Introduction to Optimization
Type: Change crosslist, prerequisites

**Social Studies**
18. Communication Sci. & Disorders 913  Seminar-Problems in Voice Disorders
Type: Change credits

19. History 358  The Old Regime and the French Revolution 1685-1799
Type: Change title, description, level, breadth

20. Library & Information Studies 450  Information Agencies and Their Environment
Type: Change title, number, description, prerequisite, level

21. Library & Information Studies 517  Consumer Health Information: Resources, Users, and Services
Type: Change title, crosslists, description, level, breadth

**Discontinuation**
22. Hebrew (Hebrew And Semitic St) 215  Intermediate Reading and Conversation
Type: Discontinuation

23. Hebrew (Hebrew And Semitic St) 216 Intermediate Reading and Conversation
Type: Discontinuation

24. Hebrew (Hebrew And Semitic St) 631 Readings in Qumran and Rabbinic Hebrew
Type: Discontinuation

25. Hebrew (Hebrew And Semitic St) 632 Readings in Qumran and Rabbinic Hebrew
Type: Discontinuation

Type: Discontinuation

27. Journ And Mass Communication 930 Seminar-International/Development Communication
Type: Discontinuation

Type: Discontinuation

Type: Discontinuation

30. Library & Information Studies 451 Online Searching for Information Professionals
Type: Discontinuation

31. Library & Information Studies 551 Organization of Information
Type: Discontinuation

32. Psychology 482 Literacy, Brain and Behavior - Honors
Type: Discontinuation

33. Psychology 537 Social Behavior Dynamics
Type: Discontinuation

34. Transportation and Public Util 643 Carrier Management Principles
Type: Discontinuation

B. Review Agenda
Motion by Brighouse, second by Green to approve all course proposals. Votes are recorded following each agenda item.

Moved from Consent Agenda
9. Horticulture 374 Tropical Horticulture
Type: Change credits, description
Action: Deferred - The course seems to be heavy on student presentations and preparation for the trip but there seems to be little instructor led instruction. There needs to be more framing of the course subject matter. The proposer is asked provide more information about the delivered content of the course. This may include increasing the amount of instruction likely by reducing the amount
of time devoted to student presentations. It might also be helpful to organize the student presentations thematically where the order and type of presentation mirrors what they will be seeing and experiencing in the field.

17. Mechanical Engineering 903 Graduate Seminar
Type: Change credits, grading
Action: Deferred - The proposer will be asked why they want to offer a “course” for no credit. If it is for 0 credits with no assignment and no faculty instruction it should be taken care of internally. The committee agrees that this is a valuable activity it just doesn’t meet their definition of what a course is.

Deferred from previous meeting
35. Forest And Wildlife Ecology 410 Principles of Silviculture
Type: Change credits, prerequisites
Reviewer: Biological Sciences
Action: Deferred – The grad attribute is assigned based on in-class contributions to discussion. The proposer needs to articulate more of a difference between the requirements for undergraduates vs. graduate students. There were also questions about whether the course is meeting the 2 hours of out of class work required per credit hour. Please describe the out of class reading and writing work.

36. Engr Professional Development 730 Sustainable Facilities
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Brown
Action: Unanimously Approved

37. Kinesiology 690 Internship in Kinesiology
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Howard
Action: No action taken, tabled until a later meeting. The proposer made additional changes after the UCC agenda was set.

New Proposals
38. African Languages & Literature 303 African Literature and Visual Culture
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Brighouse
Action: Unanimously Approved

39. African Languages & Literature 407 Topics in African Languages
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Brighouse
Action: Unanimously Approved

40. Anthropology 237 Cut 'n' Mix: Music, Race, and Culture in the Caribbean
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Howard
Action: Unanimously Approved

41. Art Department 409 Digital Fabrication Studio
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Howard
Action: Conditionally Approved – Advise proposer to fix justification of credit hours. 9:30 – 3:30 lab time in the syllabus.

42. Biomolecular Chemistry 720  Experimental Design and Paradigms in Cellular Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Smith
Action: Unanimously Approved

43. Communication Arts 449  Sound Cultures: Podcasting and Music
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Smith
Action: Unanimously Approved

44. Counseling Psychology 230  Race and the Developing Child
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Green
Action: Unanimously Approved - It is noted that the title says uses the term “race” but most of the class is on culture.

45. Ed Leadership & Policy Analysis 640  Legal Rights and Responsibilities for Teachers
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Green
Action: Unanimously Approved

46. Envir St - Gaylord Nelson Inst 561  Energy Markets
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Brown
Action: Conditionally Approved - The proposer will be asked to correct the grading scale for graduate students which indicates that 3 quizzes worth 15% each equal 30%.

47. Geography 526  Human Transformations of Earth Surface Processes
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Kapust
Action: Unanimously Approved

48. Geography 534  Environmental Governance: Markets, States and Nature
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Kapust
Action: Unanimously Approved

49. Geography 576  Geospatial Web and Mobile Programming
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Kapust
Action: Deferred - grad attribute

50. History 129  Africa on the Global Stage
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Fadl
Action: Unanimously Approved
51. Library & Information Studies 602  Information: Organization and Search
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Fadl
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

52. Marketing 355  Marketing in a Digital Age
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Ingham
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

53. Marketing 430  Strategic Pricing
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Ingham
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

54. Mechanical Engineering 151  Introduction to Mechanical Engineering
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Brown
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

55. Medical Sciences - Med School 770  Patients, Professionalism and Public Health
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Green
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

56. Medical Sciences - Med School 771  Body in Balance
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Wiegmann
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

57. Music 107  Music & Film
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Wiegmann
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**

58. Neuroscience Training Program 655  Modeling Neurodevelopmental Disease
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Moser
   **Action: Conditionally Approved - The proposer will be asked if they really want to enforce the prerequisite on this graduate course. The prerequisites are courses that would likely have been taken as undergraduates and this work is not available for graduate students. If they do wish to enforce the prerequisite they may want to consider including the appropriate Biocore courses. It is recommended that the proposer review the syllabus for typos and grammatical errors such as “data is…”**

59. Population Health Sciences 789  Principles of Environmental Health: A Systems Thinking Approach
   Type: New Course
   Reviewer: Moser
   **Action: Unanimously Approved**
60. Zoology 674 Behavioral Neuroendocrinology Seminar
Type: New Course
Reviewer: Moser
Action: Deferred - The only difference between grad and undergrad is the grading scale. The proposer will be asked to provide more information about how grads and undergrads are assessed differently. The prerequisite should also be reviewed and consider including appropriate Biocore courses.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.