Faculty Curriculum Committee Minutes
Friday, January 27, 2017
Stern room 201

Present: Gayle Goudy (chair), Andrew Przeworski (secretary), Tom Carroll, Doug Friedman, Chad Galuska, Rick Heldrich, Gibbs Knotts

Registrar’s Office: Mary Bergstrom, Julie Dahl, Jerry Mackeldon

Academic Affairs: Lynn Cherry

Presentation of the Agenda (Goudy)

Old Business
1. Curriculog Training (Cherry) – meetings are 2/3 and 2/10 to familiarize the FCC with Curriculog. It will be implemented next year. There will be later sessions for chairs and program directors.
2. Major GPA policy – the Senate has now passed a new GPA policy. It might not be implemented until Fall 2018. For students, it's dependent on catalog year.
3. BIOL 381 might be considered in February. RO says that there needs to be a policy regarding courses that are created as P/F, rather than taken P/F. Such a policy should originate in the FCC.
4. Curriculum proposals results - all proposals from our November meeting passed the Senate. The Real Estate major (passed last year) was renamed to Commercial Real Estate.

New Business
1. New curriculum proposals:
   a. METR (Lindner)
      Discussion: none
      Modifications: none
      Decision: approved
   b. PHYS (Larsen)
      Discussion: none
      Modifications: none
      Decision: approved
   c. CHEM (Heldrich)
      Discussion: none
      Modifications: combine the signature pages into one
      Decision: approved
   d. ENTR internship (Desplaces)
      Discussion: question about whether SLOs are detailed enough.
Modifications: They’ve sent us a new course form with more SLOs and a new syllabus. Syllabus should say that the course is 3 hours, rather than a maximum of 3 hours.
Decision: approved

e. ACCT (Daniels)
Discussion: they thought that ACCT 204 was already a prerequisite for 307, but apparently that wasn’t the case. Should 203 and 204 be removed from the prerequisite list on 409 (they’re redundant)? ACCT would like to keep them.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved.

f. ARTS (Frankel)
Discussion: question about whether ARTS 410 should be restricted to majors. Yes, that’s what ARTS wants.
Modifications: they’ve sent us an updated program form.
Decision: approved.

g. EDEC (Perkins)
Discussion: questions about how discrepancy between catalog and SIS prerequisites persisted for so long. Every year, departments sign off on what’s in the catalog.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved.

h. EDEL (Perkins)
Discussion: question about whether it’s appropriate to use prerequisites for sequencing of matriculation, rather than preparing students for the next course.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved.

i. CSCI (van Delden)
Discussion: question about whether they’ve recommitted to the C-prerequisite policy. They do. Question about whether it’s appropriate for all of a student’s electives to come from topics courses.
Modifications: we need to remove 299 from the signature page
Decision: approved.

j. ITST (Maher)
Discussion: they summarized their answers to our OAKS questions.
Modifications: they’ve brought us updated paperwork to address concerns that the committee raised during OAKS discussion.
Decision: approved.

k. PBHL (McGee)
Discussion: long discussion about why PHIL 175 isn’t required to have a health related context, but COMM 315 is. It seems to be less for the benefit of the students than it is for the convenience of the involved departments. There aren’t enough faculty to teach the health-related ethics courses, so PBHL wants to expand the options. Suggestions that
PBHL should be consistent and either restrict all ethics options to health-related topics, or restrict none of them.
Modifications: On the program of study worksheet, COMM 336 should be PBHL 336. We're removing the addition of PHIL 175 to the program.
Decision: approved.

l. INTL (Friedman)
Discussion: question about whether INTL-INCL is restricted to literature courses. It’s not.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved.

m. MKTG (Pitts)
Discussion: question about how much ethics content is in MKTG 355 (in relation to the PBHL discussion). Without prerequisites, MKTG 355 could potentially be flooded with students from other majors (e.g. PBHL).
Modifications: they’re going to add a prerequisite
Decision: we’re tabling the proposal until our next meeting, so they can produce new paperwork.

n. CLAS (Johnson)
Discussion: discussion of the current status of the forms
Modifications: they’ve changed the prerequisite to exclude CLAS 111
Decision: approved.

o. MUSC (Hart)
Discussion: question about Gen Ed status of 280. It’s Gen Ed.
Modifications: none
Decision: approved

p. ENTR prerequisites (Hansen)
Discussion: long discussion about whether a 400-level course should have no knowledge-based prerequisites, and about whether the proposed prerequisites will accomplish the stated goal of diverse student experiences. The course used to have stricter prerequisites. Is this course consistent with the new course-numbering policy? Based on the substantive nature of the students’ projects, the committee eventually agrees that it is.
Modifications: we’re going to remove the cover letter providing the broad overview of all MKTG/MGMT/ENTR changes, leaving only the cover letter addressing this particular change. They’re going to add “junior standing” as a prerequisite on 406.
Decision: approved

q. URST (Keenan)
Discussion: discussion about whether the 397 catalog description should state that the course isn’t Gen Ed. The Registrar prefers that it not say that.
Modifications: the new 397 SLOs need to be added to the form.
Decision: both URST proposals were approved
r. FREN (Morrison)
Discussion: question about whether FRCS would count toward any program. Only Gen Ed. Suggestion that maybe they could count toward FYE.
Modifications: much of the FREN proposal has been withdrawn. Only the changes to 370, 380-383 are still there.
Decision: approved both the FREN and FRCS proposals.

s. MGMT/INTB (Mack)
Discussion: Will they continue offering INTB 409? Not for very long. Questions about how different INTB is from other School of Business programs. Should there be some sort of guarantee that MGMT 408 will cover international business topics?
Modifications: They're revising the MGMT 408 catalog description to say that it covers international topics.
Decision:

 t. COMM (Kopfman)
Discussion: question about how PBHL B.S. students succeed in 336 without satisfying the prerequisites. Question about why the 400-level courses now require 216. That material has been necessary for a while. Question about whether the PBHL 336/COMM 336 prerequisites can be different. According to the course numbering policy, these courses qualify as cross-listed, but not “meets with”. If they’re cross-listed, then the RO says they should have identical prerequisites.
Modifications: COMM is withdrawing the 336 form.
Decision: approved

u. We approved the minutes from the November meeting.

Upcoming Business

1. Curriculog meetings are 2/3 and 2/10 3-5pm in Stern 201.
2. BIOL 381 may be on the agenda at the February meeting.
3. ENGL wishes to discuss a problem with their variable topics courses.