Curriculum Council
May 17, 2016 ~ 9:00-11:00 AM
442 Austin Hall
Agenda

Anticipated absence: Karla Rockhold
Guests: Larry Bulling, Tursynay Issabekova

Four-Year Templates – Rebecca Mathern
• Rebecca and Tursynay demonstrated MyDegrees worksheet, audits, 4-year template, etc. The template becomes the student’s Educational Plan. Critical’ classes for the program can be indicated. Academic units need a way to access information electronically (currently done manually).
• They offered to share templates from other institutions for viewing.
Action: Prem moved to include a 4-year template when there is a new degree program proposal; motion seconded and passed with no dissenting votes. This will be presented to the Executive Committee and, hopefully, can be implemented beginning Fall 2016.
• One suggested that this also apply to Category II proposals. Ask them to update the template when submitting proposals.

Action: Richard moved that Category II proposals related to changes to the program include an update or new template; motion seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

Curricular Proposals
• Undergraduate Minor in Aerospace Engineering #97772 – Prem Mathew (see https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/97772)
  • Liaison update?

• Prem - Brady Gibbons is contacting his unit and is happy to make the suggested changes.

• Move Graphic Design – BFA, HBFA to School of Arts and Communication – Prem Mathew (see https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/edit/97966/)
  • Andrea Marks will remain in COB; resources, etc, and remaining faculty will move back to CLA. Graphic Design was formerly an option under the Art program and now will be a major in Art. Both deans and units are supportive of the move.
Action: John moved to approve moving the Graphic Design degree program from COB to CLA; motion seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

• BS in Geography and Geospatial Science #97646 – Sue Helback (see https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/97646)
  • Currently there is not a BS in Geography - it ended in 2012 and moved to an option). There were 21 letters of support from students, institutions, businesses, etc. There are also 2 certificate programs in GIS - 1 undergraduate on-campus and 1 graduate Ecampus. The certificates are not enough - the students need the degree. The proposer did excellent job of preparing the proposal. There will be at least 9 new courses, and 5 revised courses - some are already approved and 14 courses are pending in the system - intent is for all courses to be approved by Fall 2016. Predicts 4 students to one faculty and about 15-20 students in the Fall. Unclear whether the Geography option under Earth Science will be maintained. Only institution in Oregon offering this program. Coursework can be applied toward a national GIS certificate.
  • It was noted that a Liaison suggested coursework that may be useful for the program, but no response found.
There are four categories foundational skills, supporting skills, upper div geospatial tech and problem solving, capstone, experiential electives. How do they assist students to decide courses from categories - how is this managed and supported by faculty.

Questioned cost - was anything overlooked.

The proposal indicates that there is articulation with four community colleges, but no agreement for Umpqua CC in appendix - Sue inquired about this.

Asked about continued recruitment of diverse candidates - is this required to be included? Recruitment was briefly mentioned.

Few corrections on sample curriculum - Freshman year credits didn’t add up correctly.

Action: Sue will contact proposer with above inquiries and will copy Michael Harte. The intent is to present to the EC on June 3 and to the Faculty Senate on June 9.

**Art/Visual Art Action Plan** – Prem Mathew

- Perspectives from Bradley Boovey, Neil Davison and Peter Sparks?

Action: Addendum will request CLA to consider increasing FTE in that unit since one Graphic Design faculty are remaining in the COB Vic - look for addendum from Bradley Boovey and include in the May 31 agenda as an information item.

**Course Designator AERO (Aerospace Engineering)** (see [https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/97772](https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/97772))

- Course designator change?
- Prem reported that Brady Gibbons is discussing the CC suggestions his unit about the and is happy to make the suggested changes.

**Reduction of Foreign Language Requirement in Programs** – Joan Gross

- Out of line with peers CO State has the CLA; OSU’s CLA has many more BS/MS degrees. The college is suffering because more BS/MS degrees are being created to allow students to avoid taking a foreign language.
- One suggested having a CLA Dean Rodgers talk to the CC about the proliferation of the BS/MS degrees. Ask him to bring data when he visits.
- What kinds of coursework are students doing to get the BS?
- How does the coursework differ from BA and BS degrees?
- Suggested to also invite the Liberal Studies director.
- How many years of foreign language is required at other institutions?
- One suggested that the rationale could be that the BS was on the books, and it was easy to add more BS degrees.
- Additionally, taking a foreign language is not about proficiency, it’s about humility. One noted that a foreign language is an admissions requirement. All peers offer more foreign languages than OSU.
- One suggested to join forces with the Graduate Council. Dorthe will communicate to Theresa Filtz and ask her to identify two Council members to attend.
- In 2015 CLA awarded 365 BA degrees, 548 BS degrees, 31 MA, 0 MS, and 34 Master of Public Policy.

**Actions:**

- Richard will work with Vickie to determine a date to schedule the CLA dean, Liberal Studies advisor, and Graduate Council representative(s).
- Mina will prepare a chart of degrees awarded for the last few years.
- Joan will reach out to CLA advisors re: BS study plans and the differences between CLA BA and BS degrees.
Report from the Co-chairs – Prem Mathew, Richard Nafshun
• No report

Report from Academic Affairs
• No representatives

Matters Arising
• Joan questioned whether there is a way to give credit for prior work experience without paying for the associated credits. MA and PhD degrees require an internship, but some students could substitute work experience. There is a waiver, but the student still has to pay for the credits.
  o John explained that Forestry internships have educational learning outcomes embedded. Unless the experience was structured as an internship, it’s difficult to determine whether the educational learning outcomes are met. A job would not qualify.
  o Shannon noted that the Department of Education has a program that allows institutions to apply to become an experimental institution.
  o Larry will determine from Rebecca Mathern whether there is a way to do this.
• The scheduled May 27 meeting is canceled; the next meeting will be May 31.

Category II Proposals for Discussion
All Curriculum Council members are asked to review the proposals which were previously distributed by Richard Nafshun. Please inform Vickie Nunnemaker if there are proposals that need to be discussed during the meeting (additional information can be found via the associated link). If there are no concerns, all of the Category II proposals distributed will be approved by a co-chair.
• #90180 - CH 121 General Chemistry - College of Science Change Course - effective Fall 2015 (https://secure.oregonstate.edu/ap/cps/proposals/view/91747)
  o Change to ensure that students have either completed Mth 111 or a higher-level math course, or are concurrently enrolled in Mth 111 and CH 121. An ALEKS math placement score of 60 or higher, would also be sufficient as this score places a student in Mth 112.
  o Discussion continued from May 13, 2016
  o This proposal has been with the chair for about eight months and the intent is that it will be retracted.
• #96105 will be discussed on May 31.

Minutes recorded by Vickie Nunnemaker, Faculty Senate staff.