

Minutes for the College Curriculum Committee
College of Arts & Letters
December 15, 2016

Present: Becky Brewer (Career Consultant & Internship Developer-CAL), Miguel Cabanas (RCS), Sheila Contreras (Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education), Stephen Deng (ENG), Kiana Elkins (undergraduate representative), Todd Hedrick (PHL), Janet Hershberger (Secretary), Bethany Judge (Assistant. Dean), Tom Lovik (LL), Emery Petchauer (ENG/TEC), Ben Van Dyke (AAHD), Gretel Van Wieren (REL).

Guest: Dylan Miner (AIIS)

Approvals

- Approval of the Agenda for 12/15 was moved by Cabanas and seconded by Lovik. The committee approved the motion.
- Approval of the minutes from 11/16 was moved by Van Wieren and seconded by Cabanas. The committee approved the motion.

Associate Dean's Remarks

Contreras discussed a concern for how new minors in Race/Ethnicity and Sexuality Through History in the College of Social Sciences might draw students away from existing minors in CAL, especially minors related to race, ethnicity, and gender. Contreras is in conversation with CSS about this topic.

UCC updates (Dobbins)

None

Curricular Requests

- AIIS-Program Change for MNUN: Dylan Miner proposed new courses 490 (Independent Study), 491 (Topics in American Indian and Indigenous Studies), and 493 (Internship). These changes reflect the university granting American Indian and Indigenous Studies a course code effective Fall 2017. With the new course code, Arts and Letters course AL 202 is being converted to AIIS 201 and new courses AIIS 490, 491 and AIIS 493 are proposed. Approval of these requests was moved by Cabanas and seconded by Van Wieren. The committee approved the motion with minor changes to language.
- CAL—Program change for BA (discussion)
 - Experiential Education Requirement

Contreras explained that the experiential education requirement helps communicate to students that a humanities degree increases one's employability. The requirement across CAL also creates more uniformity since some majors already have this requirement. Judge added that this requirement across CAL adds job market value to students' degrees. It also allows CAL more credit/curricular flexibility when the College receives students from other units on campus.

- New Course Request AL 290 Arts and Letters Service Learning

Cabanas recommended making the course credits range from 1 to 6, for more flexibility. The committee agreed. Approval of this request was moved by Cabanas and seconded by Hedrick. The committee approved the motion.

Adjournment

Moved by Cabanas and seconded by Lovik. The committee approved the motion to adjourn.

Minutes submitted by Emery Petchauer