

Academic Policy & Curriculum Committee
University of Washington, Tacoma
Meeting Minutes
 December 4, 2013
 CP 331 12:30-2:00

Present: Linda Ishem, Janice Laakso, Lauren Montgomery, Luther Adams, Jenny Sheng, Alexis Wilson, Kathy Beaudoin, Doug Wills (Chair); Andrea Coker-Anderson, ex-officio (Registrar); Jennifer Sundheim, ex-officio (Library), Lynda West, ex-officio (Advising)

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes for 10/23/2013 Meeting
- b. Curriculum Proposals

New Courses/Changes	Diversity Designation
T URB 250	T URB 250
T URB 260	T HIST 420
T URB 432	T AMST 430
T EDLD 587	T PSYCH 441
T CSS 551	
T CSS 565	
T CSS 142	
T CSS 143	
T CSS 333	
T CSS 371	
T AMST 420	
T AMST 430	
T AMST 440	
T AMST 490	
T COM 464	
T COM 471	
T EST 295	
T FILM 388	
T LIT 220	
T NPRFT 450	
T WRT 450	
T SOCWF 250	
T MATH 412	

The consent agenda included minutes for the 10/23/13 meeting plus several new proposals/changes and Diversity designation requests. After reporting that the T COM 471 proposal had been modified to include prerequisites and after a request to remove T CORE 133, there were no objections to Consent Agenda, thus approved.

2. T CORE 133

The committee expressed concern about a course in research methodology that did not include any scholarly articles or books for reading material. After a discussion about the type of courses

appropriate for first year students, it was decided to ask a representation from the CORE to explain why they considered this course appropriate. We felt such an explanation would help us evaluate future courses.

3. T PSYCH 441

Issue was raised on the similarity of this course relative to courses in Nursing, specifically THLTH 310. The faculty member proposing the course, Hyoung Lee, responded that while there was overlap with the nursing course, there was enough distinct content to justify a separate class. The issue was also raised that there might be some scheduling issues that would justify the course. After a further discussion that the committee must convey to departments that they should check with the current course listings for similar classes.

Lauren Montgomery moved to accept the proposal, Alexis Wilson seconded. Unanimous approval.

4. Revised Program Requirements for Major in American Studies

The committee was concerned about the lack of breath of classes, both in terms of departments and integration of topics. Also, we wondered if they had considered or would consider integrating a broader range of classes.

5. Changes in CSS B.S. and B.A.

After a brief discussions, no objections were raised about the changes and there was general support for them. Alexis Wilson moved to accept the proposal, Linda Ishem seconded. Unanimous approval.

6. Changes in Master of Arts in IAS

Several concerns were raised about the proposed changes. Given that numerous undergraduate classes were being used, what distinguishes the classes being offered for graduate credit? We'd also like a fuller discussion of which courses map to the learning objectives. How has faculty incorporated comments from previous students in their proposed changes? Is there a compelling reason why the non-profit program is being proposed prior to hiring the person responsible for this program?

7. Changes in Sustainability Minor

Committee decided the changes did not require a vote.

8. Other Business.

Andrea has volunteered to gather data on the number of classes that are "on the books" but have not been offered for several years. Doug will talk to Jill Purdy about university policy on duplicate classes.