

Minutes

CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2015, 12:00 p.m.
354 Agricultural Hall

Voting Members Present: Gould, Albrecht, Choi, Jull, Lenertz-Lindemer, Smith, Turnquist, Zilberg

Voting Members Absent: Hartemink, Kay,

Non-Voting Members Present: Bollig, Grill, Mittenthal

Meeting Commenced at 12:04

MINUTES

Review meeting minutes from October 13, 2015

Motion to approve meeting minutes Jull; Choi 5- approved 0-denied 2-abstained

Action: Approve

COURSE PROPOSALS

365 Biological Systems Engineering Measurements and Instrumentation for Biological Systems—course change-prerequisites; effective Fall 2016-17

LEAD: Jull

- Change to prerequisites is related to restricting upper level BSE courses to students declared as ABE and to give students more options for meeting statistics prerequisite
- There are likely to be more course change proposals related to restricting upper level BSE courses to declared ABE students

Motion to approve Jull; Lenertz- Lindemer Vote: 7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained

Action: Approve

***272 Dairy Science** Reproductive Management of Dairy Cattle – new course; effective Spring 2016-17

LEAD: Choi

- Course previously came before the committee and was sent back to the department for clarification to description and syllabus
- Description and syllabus have been updated

Motion to approve Choi; Turnquist Vote: 7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained

Action: Approve

526 Geography Human Transformations of Earth Surface Processes-new course; effective Spring 2016-17

LEAD: Choi

* indicates proposal is returning to the Curriculum Committee for additional review

Motion to approve Choi; Lenertz- Lindemer Vote:7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained

Action: Approve

374 Horticulture Tropical Horticulture – course change-title, description, and prerequisites; effective Fall 2016-17

LEAD: Turnquist

- Change is related to a decoupling of the 374 stand- alone seminar which will be 1 credit instead of 2 credits
- There is also a prerequisite change from Sophomore to Junior standing
- Study abroad trip taken during the winter intersession will be separated from the 1 credit course with a plan to propose a permanent 2 credit Hort 375 intended to be in effect for the winter term
- Hort 374 is only intended to meet the capstone requirement when taken in conjunction with study abroad trip

Motion to approve Turnquist; Lenertz Vote 7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained

Action: Approve

527 Microbiology Physiology of Microorganisms Laboratory – course change-credits, description, and prerequisites; effective Fall 2016-17

LEAD: Lenertz-Lindemer

- Change in title from “Physiology of Microorganisms Laboratory” to “Advanced Laboratory Techniques”
- Description phrasing “coached in” is not most desirable terminology
- Current prerequisites of “Bact 304, 307, Biochem 501 or Bmolchem 603 and con reg in Bact 526” changing to completion of Microbio 304 and declared Microbiology majors only
- Changes are related to L&S major declaration policy that require students to declare a major before reaching senior standing
- Syllabus is not complete as it does not have learning outcomes, instructor, meeting times, grading scale
- Academic Affairs will clarify and course proposal will return as informational item

Motion to approve pending syllabus revisions Lenertz-Lindemer; Jull Vote:7- approved 0-denied 0-abstained

Action: Clarify

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

670 Geography Capstone in GIS Development – new course; effective Spring 2016-17

176 Art Introduction to Digital Photography– new course; effective Spring 2016-17

Departments are sometimes asked to review proposals a due to content that is of interest to a CALS department once the department weighs in Cals AA is informed.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES REQUIREMENT

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- List of courses to be considered for the International Studies Requirement
- Marsarah Van Eyck was part of an ad hoc International Committee charged with reevaluating the criteria for determining whether or not a course can meet the International Studies Requirement
- CALS curriculum Committee voted to approve the new rubric and previously delegated authority to Van Eyck to approve any course that was scored with a 5 and 6 on approved rubric
- Courses that did not score at least a 5 or 6 would be brought to the committee
- Ad Hoc Committee left the review of courses and Requirement to the Dean whenever it was deemed necessary
- 31 courses were submitted previously but have not been evaluated for the Requirement due to various reasons including staffing changes
- Challenge is to evaluate these remaining courses without radically changing the interpretation of the criteria
- Moving forward CALS Curriculum Committee should define what data they would like for reevaluating the International Studies Requirement

Motion to consider 31 courses previously submitted for consideration for The International Studies Requirement en masse Lenertz-Lindemer; Turnquist Vote-5-approved 0-denied 1-abstained

Action: Approve

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting will be a Joint Meeting between CALS and L&S on November 10 th and Megan Grill will provide updates for the location

The Chair has the authority to cancel the meeting and will announce that the meeting will not be held at least 6 days prior to meeting date

Meeting adjourned 1:29