Minutes
CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 22, 2020, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Voting members present: Courtenay, Goldman, Holden, Kucharik, Van Pijkeren, Vermillion Kalmon, Wattiaux
Student Members present: Mui
Absent: Ney, Rossman
Ex Officio: Ackerman-Yost
Minutes Taken by: Arnfelt

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Review meeting minutes from September 8, 2020
2. FOOD SCI Requisite Amnesty

Item 1 and 2 approved by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

1. REVISIT: Course change: add LAS credit/level and breadth; remove grad attribute; update requisites, CLOs, and course description
   AN SCI/DY SCI 373 – Animal Physiology
   Effective Spring 2021
   https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=2773

Motion to approve (Courtenay, Wattiaux)
Discussion: The department resolved concerns regarding the overlap with other physiology courses and the animal-based nature of the course.
Vote: 7-0-0

2. REVISIT: Course change: increase credits, add LAS credit/level and breadth
   A A E 322 – Commodity Markets
   Effective Spring 2021
   https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=10

Motion to approve (Wattiaux, Vermillion Kalmon)
Discussion: The committee previously had concerns if the course met the requirements for four credits, both for instructional hours and out-of-class work. There was clarification on the number of hours required outside of classwork so the committee was supportive of this change to increase credits.
Vote: 7-0-0
3. **Course change**: change from Cr/No Cr to A/F; updated title, Goldman/Van Pijkeren and course description

   **INTER-AG 388** – CALS Honors – Fundamentals of Research Seminar
   Effective Spring 2021
   [https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=5759](https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=5759)

Motion to approve pending more information (Goldman, Van Pijkeren)

Discussion: The committee is supportive of the changes of credit/no credit but noted that certain characteristics of the course required clarification – notably, the age of the textbook, the nature of the assignments to demonstrate appropriate amount of work for credit hour requirements, the breakdown of lecture vs. discussion, and how often participation is scored. The committee also requested information on when students receive feedback on their participation scores, since it is such a large proportion of the grade.

Vote: 6-0-1

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**INFORMATIONAL AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. **Program Change**: Biology Ackerman-Yost
   Effective Spring 2021
   [https://next-guide.wisc.edu/programadmin/?key=38](https://next-guide.wisc.edu/programadmin/?key=38)

   Change is in response to previously-approved program proposals for Neurobiology and Molecular and Cell Biology, which disallowed double majors with Biology.

2. Dependent on time, discussion regarding semester changes Goldman

   There are 86 entities within CALS where we are looking for key contact personnel (faculty contact for each program and grad programs). It was discussed that we will start with the committee for data collection. After that, it was suggested to send a survey to department chairs to complete the information needed.

Meeting adjourned 2:32 pm.