COUNCIL ON CURRICULAR PROGRAMS AND INSTRUCTION

Thursday, 26 January 2012

Algonquin Room - University Union - 3:30 p.m.

**A C T I O N M I N U T E S**

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Bennett, J. Brown, J. Dallinger, A. Doyle (SGA rep), C. Piletic, H. Marchand, S. Romano, A. Valeva, B. Welch, T. Westerhold

Ex-officio: N. Parsons, D. Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: C. Anderson

GUESTS: Pat Anderson, Nita Burg, Rori Carson, Sean Cordes, Tej Kaul, Rose McConnell, Mike McGowan, Russ Morgan, John Wozniak

1. Consideration of Minutes  
   1. 1 December 2011

**MINUTES APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED**

1. Announcements

Chairperson Bennett introduced new member Hal Marchand, taking the place of Jim LaPrad who is on sabbatical this semester.

* 1. Courses Approved at Honors Council Meeting of November 16, 2011

Three courses were approved by the Honors Council in November and reported to CCPI as informational items according to procedures established by Faculty Senate in fall 2011:

* GH 101, Queer Multiculturalism
* GH 299, The Roberts Court: The Justices, Philosophies and Decisions
* GH 299, The President’s Leadership Class

Dr. Anderson expressed her concerns via email about the title of Queer Multiculturalism, stating that “It seems to me that race, religion, sexual identity should be treated with respect even as we increase awareness and knowledge of our students and each other as professionals.” Dr. Romano related she had similar concerns, so she called the Department of Sociology and Anthropology to ask about the title. She was told that “queer” is no longer an offensive term. Dr. Parsons confirmed that it is her understanding that “queer” is now preferred terminology.

* 1. Election of Vice Chair

Dr. Westerhold nominated Dr. Valeva as Vice Chair. There were no further nominations, and Dr. Valeva was elected by acclamation.

1. Approvals from the Provost
   1. Requests for New Courses
      1. AAS 312, Black Men in the U.S., 3 s.h.
      2. SW 380, Social Justice and Diversity, 3 s.h.
   2. Request for New Minor
      1. Sports Broadcasting
   3. Request for Change of Major
      1. Social Work
2. Old Business – None
3. New Business  
   1. **Curricular Requests from the Department of Sociology and Anthropology**
      1. Request for Change in Prerequisites
         1. ANTH 330, Sex and Gender in Archaeology, 3 s.h.

**Current:**  ANTH 110 or ANTH 111, or consent of instructor

**Proposed:**  ANTH 110 or ANTH 111 or WS 190, or consent of instructor

**Motion:** To approve ANTH 330 (Welch/Westerhold)

**MOTION APPROVED 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* + 1. Request for Cross-Listing
       1. ANTH 330/WS 330, Sex and Gender in Archaeology, 3 s.h.

**Motion:** To approve ANTH 330/WS 330 cross-listing (Piletic/Brown)

Dr. Anderson explained that ANTH 330 is an established course which was originally developed at the request of a former chair of the Department of Women’s Studies. She added the course has been very successful and seems to be of interest to students of Women’s Studies, and the cross-listing request is supported by the current Chair.

**MOTION APPROVED 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* 1. **Curricular Requests from the Department of Economics and Decision Sciences** 
     1. Request for 275/475 Course
        1. DS 475, Applications of Bayesian Quantitative Reasoning and Computation, 3 s.h.

**NO OBJECTIONS**

* + 1. Request for New Course
       1. ECON 496, Seminar in Economics, 1-3 s.h.

**Motion:** To approve ECON 496 (Doyle/Welch)

Economics and Decision Sciences Chair Tej Kaul explained that his department, unlike many others, does not currently offer a topics or seminar course, and he has had faculty wish to offer seminar titles but were unable to do so. Dr. Piletic asked if topics would be offered in a series; Dr. Kaul replied that the 1-3 semester hours would allow for this if requested.

**Change:** Move the sentences pertaining to Library resources from the Additional Equipment Requirements section of the form to the Library Resources portion of the form.

**MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGE 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* + 1. Request for Multiple-Title Approval
       1. ECON 496, Seminar in Economics, 1-3 s.h.

**Motion:** To approve ECON 496 for multiple titles (Welch/Brown)

**MOTION APPROVED 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* + 1. Request for Change in Prerequisites
       1. ECON 487, Econometrics, 3 s.h.

**Current:** MATH 137, DS 203 or STAT 171, or equivalent

**Proposed:**  MATH 137, ECON 232, DS 303, or permission of instructor

**Motion:** To approve ECON 487 (Valeva/Welch)

Dr. Kaul explained that currently DS 303 is listed as a co-req for ECON 487 in the undergraduate catalog although it was changed to a prerequisite last year. The current request will mean that ECON 487 will no longer satisfy the Business core requirements, which will also require a catalog change.

**Change:** Clarify on p.2 of the request that ECON 487 will be removed from the list of courses to satisfy the Business core requirements in the catalog so that there is no misunderstanding that ECON 487 is to be removed from the catalog entirely.

**MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGE 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* 1. **Curricular Requests from the Department of Recreation, Park and Tourism Administration**
     1. Request for 275/475 Course
        1. RPTA 275, Facilitating Recreation Activity, 1 s.h.

**NO OBJECTIONS**

* 1. **Curricular Requests from the Department of Chemistry**
     1. Request for Change in Credit Hours
        1. CHEM 452, Forensic Toxicology and DNA Analysis, 3 s.h.

**Current:** 3 s.h.

**Proposed:**  4 s.h.

**Motion:** To approve CHEM 452 (Westerhold/Welch)

Chemistry Chair Rose McConnell explained that the topics of toxicology and DNA analysis have grown so much that it is nearly impossible to cover them in a 3 s.h. class comprised of two hours of lecture and three hours of lab; three hours of lecture are really needed per week and would match the format for other science lab courses.

**Change:** Remove (G) from title since CCPI only considers issues of undergraduate education.

**MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGE 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* + 1. Request for Change in Major
       1. Forensic Chemistry

**Motion:** To approve change in Forensic Chemistry (Piletic/Valeva)

**MOTION APPROVED 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* 1. **Curricular Requests from the College of Education and Human Services**
     1. Request for Change in Repeatability
        1. EDUC 239, Pre-TEP Admittance, 0 s.h.

**Motion:** To approve EDUC 239 (Piletic/Westerhold)

College of Education and Human Services Assistant Dean Rori Carson told CCPI that the College has already begun offering this course but did not consider beforehand that some students may need more assistance than others in meeting Teacher Education Program (TEP) requirements. She explained that some students do not need help with components they have already completed; making EDUC 239 repeatable will allow students to concentrate on the components they need while not having to sit through those for which they have already been successful. Dr. Parsons asked if the course is graded S/U; Dr. Carson responded that it is. Dr. Carson added that the state of Illinois has made such substantial changes in the Teacher Education Program that Western’s enrollment has dropped from a 90 percent admission rate to 30 percent, which is affecting decisions about staffing and programs. She said that anything the University can do to help students meet state requirements is critically important at this time, both for students who must pass the Basic Skills test within five attempts and for faculty and programs which may not be needed if the current admission level is continued.

**MOTION APPROVED 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

* 1. **Curricular Requests from University Libraries**
     1. Request for Change in Division
        1. Using Libraries Today II – Information Organization and Management, 1 s.h.

**Current:** LIB 301

**Proposed:**  LIB 225

**Motion:** To approve LIB 301 (Piletic/Welch)

University Libraries faculty member Sean Cordes explained that the Library’s intention is to align LIB 201 and 301 in the same division because they are of similar intensity with different focuses. He added that information science techniques are covered in LIB 201while information technology is the focus of LIB 301; LIB 301 does not build upon the concepts of LIB 201 but extends them, and students could do equally well taking it at the 200-level.

Dr. Parsons remarked that the current prerequisite for LIB 301 is “Completion of LIB 201 or permission of instructor”; it was determined that this also needs to be changed to “none” as the request goes forward.

**Changes:**

* Remove information under Course Title Change.
* Change Division section to reflect that LIB 301 is changing to LIB 225.
* Add that current prereq is being changed to None.
* Specify in heading that the change is for Division and Prerequisite.
* Include complete title and semester hours of LIB 301 at top of form.

**MOTION APPROVED WITH CHANGES 10 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

1. Reports  
   1. Provost’s Report – None

**Motion:** To adjourn (Piletic)

The Council adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Tara Westerhold, CCPI Secretary

Annette Hamm, Faculty Senate Office Manager