Minutes

CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting April 28th, 2015

Present: Jackson, Choi, Jull, Lenertz-Lindemer (late), Perna, Van Eyck, Stanosz, Gonsiska, Sottile, Grill

Absent: Hartemink, Smith, Day, Fox, Kay, Olson

Meeting commenced 12:04 pm

Motion to approve meeting minutes form March 24, 2015; Jull—Choi; approved (6 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

Individual Major Request- Ariane Michelson- Human Disease, Healthcare, and Society

- Ariane Michelson wants to pursue individual major because of her interest in courses she would not otherwise have time to take
- o Advisors : Susan Paskewitz, Amin Fadl, Theresa Duello, Sarah Pfatteicher
- o Options are included to account for course offering availability
- Academic performance should not be a factor in approving individual majors
 - Concern that students will pursue individual majors in order to avoid certain courses
 - Concern about faculty workload as a result of Individual Majors
- Motion to approve; Jackson—Van Eyck; approved (6 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

Food SCI 551 Food Fermentation Lab – new course; effective Spring 2015-2016

- o 1 credit lab course
- Previously taught as Food Science 375
- o Additional courses will be added for a future certificate program
- Motion to approve; Lenertz-Lindemer—Stanosz ;approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

• Obsolete Course Policy - Feedback to APC

- o Audit annually for courses not taught in 8 years for the purpose of discontinuation
- Departments will be contacted. They will have the ability to keep the course and postpone audit for an additional 2 years at which point department will be contacted again
- The time of 8 years was chosen to provide ample time for departments to fill faculty positions and for faculty to achieve tenure
- o Obsolete courses may remain in curriculum guide as a way to justify hiring faculty
- Discontinuing may be beneficial as students will only see courses that are actually taught
- Motion to support; Jackson—Jull; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

• F&W ECOL 410 Principles of Silviculture – course change; effective Spring 2015-2016

o Change from maximum of 4 credits to a maximum of 3 credits

- Change in prerequisites to "Major in Forest Science or Wildlife Ecology, ZOO 460
 General Ecology or F&W ECOL 550 Forest Ecology, Graduate Student, or consent of instructor"
- Motion to approve; Van Eyck—Lenertz; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)
- F&W ECOL 411 Practices of Silviculture new course; effective Spring 2015-2016
 - o 1 cr lab course separate from F&W ECOL 410
 - Motion to approve; Van Eyck— Lenertz; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)
- MICROBIO 691 Senior Thesis course change; effective Spring 2015-2016
 - o L&S Breadth Requirement
 - Motion to approve Choi—Lenertz; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

Supplemental Approval

- BOTANY 265 Rainforests and Coral Reefs new course; effective Fall 2015-2016
 - Course could satisfy Biological Breadth, FIG, and potentially CALS International Studies
 Requirement
 - o Proposer asked for Horticulture and Inter AG feedback
 - Potential conflict of interest with instructor's organization's funding
 - o Clarification of syllabus needed. Phil Gonsiska to clarify.
 - Syllabus is set up as two 75 min classroom lectures. Proposal is for a blended course with three 50 min sessions - including one online and two in-class.
 - Optional field experience is not clearly indicated as optional in the syllabus
 - Motion to table Jackson; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)
- PHM SCI 625 Toxicology II –course change, effective fall 2015-2016
 - Add graduate course attributes
 - Motion to approve Stanosz— Lenertz; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)
- PHM SCI 626 Toxicology II- course change, effective Fall 2015-2016
 - o Add graduate course attributes
 - Motion to approve Stanosz—Lenertz; approved (7 favored-0 opposed-0 abstained)

Automatic Consent

- ART HISTORY 764 Dimensions of Material Culture—new course; effective Fall 2015-2016
 - o Committee previously reviewed this proposal
 - o Proposal is accompanied by course discontinuation of ART HIST 464

Meeting Adjourned 1:12 pm