Minutes

CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting Tuesday, September 14, 2021 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. 6201 MSB

Voting members present: Forest, Goldman, Lankau, Ney, Van Pijkeren, Vermillion Kalmon, Wagner

Student Members present: Mui

Absent:

Ex Officio: Ackerman-Yost, Barber

Minutes Taken by: Arnfelt

1. Chair's Welcome 1:00-1:20pm

Goldman, van Pijkeren

2. Introduction & Procedures 1:20-1:35pm

Ackerman-Yost & Chairs

3. UCC Feedback on Regular and Substantive Interaction 1:30-1:40pm

Ackerman-Yost

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Review meeting minutes from April 27, 2021 and Summer Agenda

2. Course Deactivation

BIOCHEM 999: Special Problems Effective Spring 2022

https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=82984

3. Course Deactivation

GENETICS/MD GENET/ZOOLOGY 562: Human Cytogenetics Effective Fall 2021

https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=7441

Items 1-3 approved by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

1. New Course 1:50-2:00pm

NUTR SCI 655 – Nutrition in Aging

van Pijkeren/Forest Effective Fall 2022

https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=14222

Motion to defer (Van Pijkeren, Forest)

Discussion: The committee was concerned about the clarity of a number of course components, including what work was expected of students and how those tasks and activities were connected to the grading for the course. The committee also requested clarity on activities discussed in the regular and substantive interaction section, particularly with the discussions. The committee noted that the table of weighted grading components did not total 100%. As collegial feedback, the committee suggested that the instructor consolidate the learning outcomes to avoid overlap where appropriate and consider including more topics related to diversity and inclusion.

Vote 7-0-0

2. New Course

NUTR SCI 657 – Management in Dietetics

Effective Spring 2022

https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=89266

Motion to defer (Goldman, Lankau)

Discussion: The committee was concerned about the clarity of a number of course components, including what work was expected of students and how those tasks and activities were connected to the grading for the course. The committee also requested clarity on activities discussed in the regular and substantive interaction section, particularly with the discussions. The committee noted that the time allotted to topics was unclear and requested clarification. The committee discussed whether students would be familiar with the competencies listed in the syllabus; one committee member familiar with the program indicated that the list would be familiar to students.

Vote 7-0-0

3. Course change: adding Grad attribute, increasing credits

C&E SOC/SOC 361 – Statistics for Sociologists II

Effective Spring 2022

https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=10038

Motion to approve (Ney, Wagner)

Discussion: The committee discussed the work and class time required for this course, and found the increase to four credits would be an accurate reflection of the work. The course includes the appropriate requirements for the graduate attribute. The committee recommended that the department review one of the learning outcomes, as it was not specific and measurable and appeared to be evaluated through other learning outcomes. The committee supported the course changes.

Vote 7-0-0

INFORMATIONAL AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Curriculum Committee – anticipated agenda items this year

Ackerman-Yost 2:20-2:30pm

The committee was provided a brief overview of the types of items that would be reviewed this year.