

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

WEEK 4; Tuesday March 26 2013; in Founders' Hall, Basement Meeting Room

Members in attendance: Umme Al-Wazedi, Tim Bloser, Danilo Bruno, David Dehnel, Greg Domski, Robert Elfline, Ann Ericson, Liesl Fowler, Ellen Hay, Taddy Kalas, Brandon Metoyer, Rowen Schussheim-Anderson, Michael Wolf

Others Present: Gail Parsons

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Committee Chair Mike Wolf.

**I. Minutes** from March 19, 2013 meeting:

**Motion: Ann Ericson**

**Seconded: Ellen Hay**

**All Approved**

**II. Old Business**

**III. New Business**

A. Consent Agenda from GenEd:

PA for ENCW 201

PA for ENCW 202

PA for ENCW 203

PH for ECON 365 (course approved Foreign. Term only 2013-14 / EPC 3.5.13)

PP for CLAS 240 (course approved EPC 12.4.12)

PP for SCAN 351 (course approved EPC 3.12.13)

PS for CLAS 340 (course approved EPC 12.4.12 & "G")

~~PS for POLS 318 (course approved EPC 4.19.11 & "G") PS approved by EPC 3.19.13~~

LSFY 102 (Homer to Hollywood)

G for CLAS 240 (course approved EPC 12.4.12)

Q for ECON 365 (course approved Foreign. Term only 2013-14 / EPC 3.5.13)

EPC Chair will forward all GenEd Consent Agenda to Senate with the exclusion of "PS for POLS 318" which was already approved at the EPC 3.19.2013 meeting and forwarded to Senate.

B. new course ART 235 (Joined by a River)

**Motion to approve: Rob Elfline**

**Seconded: David Dehnel**

**All Approved**

C. new course MUSC 105 (Guitar)

Discussion:

- Music department supplies students with guitars for course
- Aid students in achieving guitar proficiency
- Course for future educators as classic guitar is becoming popular in middle school programs
- Educational focus
- Course also available to the recreational student
- Department questioned if this course will draw students away from lessons

**Motion to approve : Rob Elfline**

**Seconded: Tim Bloser**

**All Approved**

D. additions to the Africana Studies Program (HIST 142 & 177)

Discussion:

- Will course HIST 177 always have emphasis towards African Studies
- Course will require clarification every term course taught to assure emphasis is Africana Studies
- Will there be rotation of instructors?
- Request course number be changed to **HIST 177A** to indicate Africana Studies IF instructor intends to have an appropriate emphasis on Africa.
- Course taught previously during summer term

Action: Request change of course number to indicate emphasis on African Studies

**Motion to amend and recommend change course number HIST 177 to HIST 177A to indicate emphasis on African Studies: Mike Wolf      Seconded: Tim Bloser**

**All Approved to request course number change from HIST 177 to HIST 177A**

**NOTE: HIST 177 will NOT count toward the Africana Studies program, but HIST 177A will. It is up to the instructor to determine whether that term's "World History since 1500" course has enough of an Africana focus to warrant the 177A designation.**

**Motion to approve course additions HIST 142 and HIST 177A as additions to the Africana Studies Program : Greg Domski      Seconded: Umme Al-Wazedi**

**All approved addition of HIST 142 and HIST 177A to Africana Studies Program.**

E. new course ENGL 210 (Shakespeare and Film)

Discussion:

- Part of curriculum overhaul
- Department attempting to rethink major
- Addition of more cultural courses in department
- Request for suffix has not been submitted for approval
- Course does not fulfill Shakespeare requirement

**Motion to approve: Danilo Bruno      Seconded: Taddy Kalas**

**Motion Approved by majority      Nay: 1**

F. new course ENGL 120 (Language & Culture: USA) for foreign exchange students

Discussion: It was noted that course has not been approved through Division.

**Motion to table pending approval of Division: David Dehnel      Seconded: Rob Elflin**

**Motion to table approved**

G. Spanish major curriculum change (require SPAN 314)

Discussion:

- Why is course being added?
- Could place students over the 40 credit limit with the same subject code designation.
- Request Division review for 40 credit limit
- Could this be problematic for the major
- Conflicts with the four year graduation possibility
- First Year language students would not be able to complete major
- Does the course need to be added to improve skills?

Action:

- Request to table and suggest Division review the 40 credit subject code designation

**Motion to table: Rob Elflin      seconded: Ellen Hay**

**All approved to table**

H. CSD requirements changes (more restricted choice of required supporting science courses)

**Motion to Approve: Danilo Bruno Seconded: Greg Domski**

**All Approved**

I. Senior Inquiry subcommittee draft report!

Action: Request from SI subcommittee to receive feedback from EPC members

Dave Dehnel requested EPC members consider and respond to the following:

Should we have a committee that reports to EPC, but will be separately chosen or can we do this through a subcommittee that includes EPC and possibly the Assessment Committee.

The appeal of divisional representation is that SI looks different in different parts of the curriculum.

Please send concerns and recommendations to Dave Dehnel.

---

**Discussion:** Propose a process to approving LC designation. (March 19, 2013)

- When must LC be approved through governance
- LC form is located on-line
- How is LC approved for Foreign terms
- Record of LC approved designation needs to be documented
- What is the required paper trail document to submit LC designation to Registrar's Office
- Does International Off Campus Programs department approve LC designation for Foreign Terms
- Is there a length of term for Foreign Courses to receive LC designation to be considered (10 weeks, 5 weeks, number of days?)

Motion to adjourn meeting 5:40 pm.

Next Meeting April 2, 2013 Founders' Hall Basement Meeting Room