

Curriculum Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 22, 2009

Time: 11:00 p.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Where: Room 338 Tom Raper Hall

Attending: Ron Bingaman, Brenda Buckner, Teresa Henderson, Paul Kriese, Bob Ramsey (chair), Maureen Scane, Mort Seddighin, Frances Yates (ex officio). Absent: None

I. New Course Request – BIOL-L397 Addiction

Committee members were concerned that this 397 course had no prerequisites. Bob read email from Joan Lafuze which stated that other 300-level course, across IU campuses, have no prerequisites. Joan said, however, that she would like students taking the course to “have reasonable access to a computer” and “be comfortable enough with computers to take an online course.” She also recommends that “students have at least one year of college or equivalent ability.” Committee decided to not bring this course to faculty senate until the prerequisite issue was resolved on the New Course Request Form. Committee will recommend that Joan add the above requirements as prerequisites or, at a minimum, that she add the line “instructor permission required.”

II. New Course Request – MUS-K410 Composition Seminar

This course was reviewed and will be recommended as a voting item at the October faculty senate meeting.

III. New Course Request – MUS-K430 Electronic and Computer Music I

This course was reviewed and will be recommended as a voting item at the October faculty senate meeting.

IV. New Course Request – MUS-X410 Performance Seminar and Masterclass

This course was reviewed and will be recommended as a voting item at the October faculty senate meeting.

V. ECAP – EDUC-N102 Teaching and Learning Elementary Mathematics

This course will replace, for School of Education majors, the MATH-T102 that is currently required. A committee member from the School of NSM asked committee members from the School of Education if this course would impact existing NSM Math courses. The School of Education members did not think it would because MATH-T102 could still be offered to other IU East students. The issue of RCM was discussed and the concern of NSM is that EDUC-N102 will divert money from NSM to Education. It was discussed that the curriculum committee is charged with notifying the various schools of any impact a new course or program would have on another course or program. Apparently NSM is already aware of the impact of the EDUC-N102 course. The curriculum committee’s responsibility is to see that the ECAP form is properly filled out and not to decide if a course can be brought off the Master Course Inventory. Most committee members thought the issues of whether or not a course should be brought forward, or the RCM ramifications, should be worked out between the schools and the EVCAA and not the curriculum committee.

After the ECAP was reviewed the committee decided to recommended the course as an information item at the October faculty senate meeting.

VI. ECAP – FINA-U401 Special Topics in Studio Art

This course was reviewed and will be recommended as an information item at the October faculty senate meeting.

VII. Curriculum Committee Charges (2009-2010)

Committee agreed to gather information from the various schools regarding four of the committee's charges: (1) Investigating the minimum grade of C requirement for distribution courses and what is meant by the word "core" as noted in the General Education Requirements document, (2) Updating the Second Degrees policy in connection with additional credit hours, references to associate degrees, and titles (e.g., VCAA to EVCAA), (3) Developing guidelines for distinguishing between 100-200 and 300-400 level courses, and (4) Reviewing IU East Computer Literacy Policy.

Bob Ramsey will get feedback on these issues from the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, the School of Business, and the School of Social Work. Paul Kriese will get feedback from the School of Education. Ron Bingaman and Mort Seddighin will get feedback from the School of Natural Science and Mathematics. Maureen Scane and Brenda Buckner will get feedback from the School of Education.

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