Minutes
CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 11:45 a.m.
113 Taylor Hall

Voting Members Present: Gould, Albrecht, Barak-Cunningham, Choi, Hartemink, Jull, Lenertz-Lindemer

Voting Members Absent: Smith, Turnquist, Kay, Zillberg

Non-Voting Members Present: Bollig, Pfatteicher, Mittenthal

Guest: Jessie Potterton

Meeting Commenced at 11:46 AM

Minutes
Review meeting minutes from February 9, 2016
Motion to approve minutes pending revisions Albrecht; Lenertz-Lindemer
Vote: 7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained
Action: Bollig to revise (note: confirmed Hartemink was not in attendance on 2/9)

Consent Agenda
Request for Change to Biochemistry Honors in the Major
Action: Approve

Course Proposals
054 FISC Agribusiness Communications – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018
055 FISC Farm and Industry Short Course First-Year Seminar – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018
056 FISC Agriculture, Food Systems, and Rural Development – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018
058 FISC Forage Crops – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018
059 FISC Food Safety – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018
075 FISC FISC Special Topics – new course; effective Fall 2017-2018

Motion to approve Choi; Jull

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- Choi presented all 6 course proposals because Turnquist is out ill
- All 6 proposals are straightforward and contain the necessary components
- Suggest including instructor’s wisconsin email address when applicable
- Request that FISC 059 adjust grading scale; strongly recommend adopting grading scale consistent with the other FISC courses
- Discussion regarding the FISC program: credentials earned, vision for reintegration, undergraduate enrollment in FISC courses

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Action: Approve

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Request for Changes to the Environmental Sciences Major**
Motion to approve Jull; Choi
- Concern regarding the large number of changes in a short period of time. The department has been working on these changes for the past 6 months to 1 year.
- Clarified role of committee in reviewing changes to a major: maintain major within the general criteria under which it was approved; however, faculty in the department/major are best suited to determine what counts in the major
- Deletions are due to courses not being offered anymore or courses that have significant prerequisites that make them unavailable to Envir Sci majors
- Governance review was requested by L&S Curriculum Committee. In most cases, updates to lists of courses are managed outside of governance. This request includes a significant number of changes in one instance, but all appear to be within the intent of the major.
- Bollig will consult with department regarding implementation of the changes.

Vote: 7-approved 0-denied 0-abstained
Action: Approve

**Request to Create an “Integrated Science” Subject Listing (NO VOTE; Feedback to APC)**
CALS APC will review this request on March 1. Feedback for APC: no concerns with the intent to create a subject listing; however, the name is not descriptive of what they do. No consensus on a proposed name, but suggestions include advancing science, science education, teacher’s campus, professional development in science. WISCIENCE is not recommended as this is not clear, either.

**Revisit Timeline for Consent Agenda Items**
Tabled until further notice

**University Curriculum Committee Policy Changes**
Please see forwarded email regarding two recent policy changes:
1) Courses requesting the graduate attribute must have separate learning outcomes for undergrads and grads
2) Courses with more than 10% of the grade determined by participation must submit a rubric explaining how the students will be evaluated.

The updated policies can be found in the KnowledgeBase here:
Course Proposal - Graduate Course Attribute [https://kb.wisc.edu/vesta/page.php?id=39841](https://kb.wisc.edu/vesta/page.php?id=39841)

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