MINUTES
CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 22, 2011, 12:00 p.m.
250 Agricultural Hall

Present: Bednarek, Bohnhoff, Fadl, Gisler, Hayslett, Kumerow, Lazewski, Martin, Paustian,
Pfattieicher, Pelegri, Stubbings
Absent: Stier (Chair), Berkelman, Jackson, Mitchell

Approval of Past Minutes

The January 25, 2011 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

COURSE PROPOSALS

New Course Proposals
AN SCI 110: Animal Handling
Lead: Fadl

A motion was made by Fadl and seconded by Paustian to conditionally approve AN
SCI 110. After committee discussion, the following revisions were requested in order for
AN SCI 110 to be approved.
On the course proposal documents:
1) the divisional review committee (BS) must be indicated
2) the approval by the department curriculum committee must be indicated
3) item 7 capsule statement: remove first three words, “This is a”
4) item 8: rewrite prereq using correct format “AN SCI 101: Introduction to Animal
Science”
5) item 14, line 7, word omission typo: “discusses routine care of the animals…”
6) item 15, line 2, spacing typos: “to learn” and “animal as”
7) item 16, correct word format: AN SCI 101: Introduction to Animal Sciences
8) item 18, indicates learning objectives must be stated discretely on the syllabus
(information may be pulled from item 14)
9) on vitae, line 1, typo: Curriculum Vitae (not Vitea)

The motion to conditionally approve AN SCI 110 passed and is contingent upon
making the 9 revisions above.

NUTRI SCI 203: Introduction to Global Health
Lead: Hayslett

A motion was made by Hayslet and seconded by Pelegri to conditionally approve NUTRI
SCI 203. After committee discussion, the following revisions were requested in order for
AN SCI 110 to be approved.
On the course proposal documents:
1) item 5: change wording to “once/year”
2) item 14: include a provisional statement (ie provides an introduction to…)

The motion to conditionally approve NUTRI SCI 203 passed and is contingent upon
making the 2 revisions above.

B S E 349: Biological Concepts for Engineers
Lead: Bohnhoff

Originally reviewed 12/21/2010

A motion was made by Bohnhoff and seconded by Bednarek to approve the revised
proposal for B S E 349: Biological Concepts for Engineers. The motion passed. (The
committee was reminded that this proposal is going to both the Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences
Divisional Committees.)
NEW BUSINESS

Athletic Training - Pfatteicher

- Kinesiology wants to create a track focused on athletic training; does the CALS Curriculum Committee want to participate/play a part?
  - CALS sent a letter back expressing neutrality on the issue
- 3 things about this track that might affect CALS:
  - The track would require a course in Nutritional Sciences (they don’t expect enrollment in the course to change)
  - The track would require a course in Physiology (also not expecting enrollment to change; therefore, Physiology expects to have capacity)
  - We have a certain # of students who transfer out of CALS into Kinesiology; we may have an interest because some of our students have an interest in this area of study
- There appears to be no impact on dual degree candidates

CAPSTONE REVIEW

Nutritional Sciences (additional) - Pelegri

- The capstone offers lots of options for students
- The characteristics of the capstone were achieved, for the most part
- The teamwork aspect wasn’t so clear: there appears to be no teamwork if the student does a written report
- Not clear how the societal aspect was addressed
- Overall, choices are good, but not sure if there is enough standardization
- No syllabus for 499, which is one of the capstone options
- Paustian: if a capstone meets most of the guidelines, are we ok with that?
- Bohnhoff: if students are going to choose courses that differ, we should come up with set of criteria to standardize between and within departments
- Sarah: CALS has some money that can be used to improve capstones; 2 options
  - Use to create college-wide capstone options
  - Portion off money to each department, and if the department is lacking in its capstone, the money will be used for that; and if the department capstone is already sufficient, the money can be used to relieve a burden elsewhere

Food Science - Hayslett

- 602 and 603 listed as capstone, but 532 and 514 are also described as important parts of the senior year experience
- When the four courses are combined, they pretty much achieve all of the capstone characteristics
- However, only 602 and 603 are listed as the capstone, and it is unclear if these two courses alone achieve all the capstone characteristics
- 602 and 603 use the knowledge from 532 and 514
- Get more information on 602

A motion to adjourn was made by Bednarek and seconded by Paustian. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:30.

March Meetings:
Tuesday, March 1st, Room 250, Agricultural Hall, 12:00 – 1:30 pm
Tuesday, March 22nd, Room 250, Agricultural Hall, 12:00 – 1:30 pm

Submitted by Karen Martin and Maria Stubbings