

Minutes

CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
6201 MSB

Voting Members:

- Rick Lankau, co-chair (2024)
- Sebastian Bednarek, co-chair (2025)
- Charles Kaspar (2024)
- Tera Holtz (2024)
- Anna Pidgeon (2025)
- Chuck Nicholson (2026)
- Makayla Schuchardt (2026)

Non-Voting Members:

Ex-Officio:

- Megan Ackerman-Yost
- Diana Frantz Anderson

Student Members:

- Hansini Ayyavaripally
- Kaelyn Stephenson

Voting Members Present: Pidgeon, Lankau, Holtz, Bednarek, Schuchardt

Student Members: Kaelyn Stephenson

Ex-Officio Present: Ackerman-Yost, Frantz Anderson

Meeting Chair: Lankau

Welcome

1. Introductions 1:00-1:05
Chairs

Consent Agenda

2. Review meeting minutes from September 12, 2023 1:05-1:10
<https://uwmadison.box.com/s/vnnwj5ld4cljy3reem9s4o7xx4h9ivhd>

Approved by consent.

Action Items

3. **Program Change – Soil Science MS & Ph.D.** 1:10-1:20
Effective: Fall 2024
Reason: Update policies, procedures, and curriculum based on current department structure and course offerings. Amend prerequisite coursework requirements. Guest: Doug Soldat Pidgeon/Lankau
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/programadmin/?key=680>
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/programadmin/?key=815>

Guest Discussion: Department is updating requirements based on course offering changes and engaging in general maintenance around policies and requirements. The Committee discussed minor administrative updates to language to ensure clarity for

students and alignment with current policy with the department representative.

Motion to Approve both: Pidgeon, Lankau

Committee Discussion: The Committee agrees with the updates to both programs with minor language updates to ensure clarity and policy alignment.

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4. **Course Change – A A E 722: Machine Learning in Applied Economic Analysis** 1:20-1:30
Kaspar/Bednarek
Reason: Add laboratory to component type (“Lecture and Lab are scheduled”)
Effective: Summer 2024
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=11474>

Motion to Approve : Bednarek, Lankau

Discussion: The Committee agreed with all changes pending revision to the credit hour statement for clarity.

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5. **New Course – F&W ECOL 420: Regulated Trapping in Wildlife Management** 1:30-1:40
Holtz/Schuchardt
(Ayyavaripally)
Effective: Spring 2024
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=90059>

Motion to Approve: Holt, Schuchardt

Discussion: The Committee approved the addition of this new course to permanent F&W ECOL offerings and discussed the meeting pattern for the course and how to best communicate the schedule with students.

Approval: 5-0-0

6. **New Course – A A E 601: Applied Economics** 1:40-1:50
Pidgeon/Holtz
Effective: Spring 2024
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=90055>

Motion to Approve: Pidgeon, Holtz

Discussion: The Committee approved this course. Check alignment of requisite in proposal form and syllabus.

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7. **New Course – A A E 750: Professional Development for Agribusiness Managers**
Effective: Spring 2024
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=90028>

1:50-2:00
Bednarek/Schuchardt

Motion to approve: Bednarek/Schuchardt

Discussion: The Committee approved this new course with revisions to the credit hour statement for clarity.

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8. **New Course – A A E 899: A A E Graduate Practical Training/Internship**
Effective: Spring 2024
<https://next-guide.wisc.edu/courseadmin/?key=90046>

2:00-2:10
Lankau/Kaspar
(Stephenson)

Motion to approve: Lankau, Holtz

Discussion: The Committee noted the differences between a syllabus for a group instruction course and an internship or independent study course. They noted all necessary items are present within this agreement form.

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Adjourned: 2:12pm