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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

Minutes of October 18, 2004 meeting

Members Present Charles Reilly, Linda Savage, Rachel Viggiano, Lea Witt, Patricia Bishop, Ram Mohapatra

Recorder Rhonda Nelson

Guests Present Ben Morgan, Alexander Cole, Stephen LeBruto, Randall Upchurch, Michael Robinson

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Handouts: Proposal for a Ph.D. track in Hospitality Education, a joint program between the Rosen College of Hospitality Management and the College of Education, and special topics and course action requests.

1. Dr. Mohapatra began the meeting at 12:00 noon. Dr. Alexander Cole, Burnett College of Biomedical Sciences, will be joining this committee as a non-voting representative to represent his college's views and concerns regarding agenda items.
2. **Ph.D. track in Hospitality Education** - Dr. Mohapatra asked that Drs. Upchurch and LeBruto begin by providing a summary of the Hospitality Education proposal. Dr. Upchurch gave a summary of this track proposal. This program with the Rosen College and College of Education will prepare candidates to be outstanding instructors and researchers at research-oriented institutions that offer hospitality and tourism programs. An initial enrollment projection of six Ph.D. candidates per year is an estimated annual target. Education has outstanding research curriculum to support this program. Minimum requirement is to have a master's degree. The chair then asked the committee members to address any questions they had regarding this proposal. One page 3, a question was raised regarding the hours of the program and the way it was packaged. The committee asked that this be adjusted to show the hours required beyond the master's. This change should be made to Appendix A also. One page 5, a question was raised regarding the administration of the program. Dr. Robinson indicated that, in addition to Dr. Upchurch performing the administration duties, the overall administration of the program is accomplished through track coordinators that meet on a regular basis. The committee approved this track program pending the addition of the explanation of the administration of the program, and the change made to the program of study.
3. **Seminar, advanced, current topics** - The group then addressed the issue of topics. Dr. Morgan indicated that it had been brought to his attention that some of our current courses include the titles of current topics, advanced topics, seminar topics, etc. These courses are sometimes taught by various people and the content can change from year to year. SACS guidelines require that we review all new courses and their syllabi before they are approved and set up in the system. The current policy statement on this will be reviewed at our next meeting, and the committee will decide if the current policy needs to be reviewed by the Graduate Council Policy Committee.
4. **Four molecular and microbiology courses**— the committee then reviewed these four courses. Dr. Morgan shared information regarding SACS guidelines that indicates that we need to ensure that students on different levels are getting different levels of instructions that is appropriate to where they are in the program. This needs to be documented in the course syllabus. A separate syllabus would be needed for a master's and for a doctoral level course. Records would have to be kept at the department level. The committee made a decision to further review the syllabi for these courses. These four courses were tabled and will be reviewed again at the next meeting.
5. **Special topics and course action requests** – see attached handout regarding the results of all special topics and courses.
6. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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SPECIAL TOPICS ADDITIONS

AFH 5937 AS-History 3(3,0)

ST: Ethnicity and Competing Nationalisms in Africa since 1900: PR: Graduate standing or C.I. Historical literature on ethnicity and competing nationalisms in Africa since the beginning of colonial rule. **Approved**

AMH 5937 AS-History 3(3,0)

ST: Monuments & Memory: PR: Graduate standing or C.I. The history of Orlando expressed in public inscription. **Approved pending question on title.**

PAF 6938 HPA-College-HPA 3(3,0)

ST: Microeconomics for Public Policy: PR: Admissions to Ph.D. in Public Affairs Program. Introduces microeconomic approach to public policy decision making. Examine role within public sector decisions. Learn concepts. Study microeconomic topics/techniques key to public policy analysis. **(Tabled at last meeting. Dr. Wan to obtain no course conflicts with Economics.) See box below.**

Changes to PAF 6938 HPA-College-HPA 3(3,0)

ST : Public Policy : Microeconomic Applications : PR : Any of the following economics courses at the undergraduate or graduate level (or the equivalent) : ECO 2023, ECO 3101, ECO 4504, ECO 5006, ECO 6115, ECP 4403, ECP 4603, or ECP 4703. This is a public policy course that uses microeconomics as a tool for analysis. **Approved pending question on course level.**

COURSE ADDITIONS

PCB 5XXXC AS-Biology 4(2,4)

Restoration Ecology: PR: PCB 3034, BSC 4312C, or graduate standing or C.I. General principles of assisting recovery of degraded, damaged or destroyed ecosystems. **Approved**

PCB 6XXX AS-Biology 1 (1,0)

Professional Development in Biology I: PR: M.S. Biology student. Methods in experimental design, research, and the ethics of animal research. Graded S/U. **Tabled pending clarification on S/U grading and prereq.**

PCB 6XXX AS-Biology 1(1,0)

Professional Development in Biology II: PR: PCB 6XXX (Professional Development in Biology I) and admission to M.S. Biology program. Preparation and presentation of research grants, scientific presentations, and scientific papers. Graded S/U. **Tabled pending clarification on S/U grading and prereq.**

PCB 7XXX AS-Biology 1 (1,0)

Advanced Research Communication I: PR: Students must be enrolled in the Conservation Biology Ph.D. Program. Philosophy and history of science, scientific ethics, scientific design, and presentation of scientific findings as related to conservation biology. Graded S/U. **Tabled pending clarification on S/U grading and prereq.**

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PCB 7XXX AS-Biology 1(1,0)

Advanced Research Communications II: PR: PCB 7XXX Advanced Research Communications I. Advanced skills for critically evaluating science to prepare and present research grants in the biological sciences. Graded S/U. **Tabled pending clarification on S/U grading and prereq.**

PCB 7XXX AS-Biology 1(1,0)

Seminar in Conservation Biology: PR: PCB 7XXX Advanced Research Communications I. Discussions and presentations addressing the history and development of the field of Conservation Biology and its relevance to modern society. May be repeated for credit 2 times. Graded S/U. **Tabled pending clarification on S/U grading and prereq.**

CHM 6XXX AS-Chemistry 3(3,0)

The Organic Chemistry of Drug Design: PR: CHM 2211 (or equivalent) and C.I. Drug design and action using the principles of organic chemistry. **Approved**

IDS 5XXX AS-Digital Media 3(3,0)

Digital Forensics: PR: CGS 5131 (Computer Forensics I) or C.I. Application of digital scientific techniques to solve information assurance, forensic and legal problems. **(The special topics for this course was approved last year. Criminal Justice & Legal Studies was consulted last year regarding any overlap. They had requested that the School of Film/Digital Media change the course title from “Digital Evidence from the Crime Scene to the Courtroom” to “Digital Forensics.” They also requested changes in the syllabus. The special topics for this course was then approved.) Approved**

SPW 6XXX AS-Foreign Languages 3(3,0)

Modernismo: PR: Admission to Spanish M.A. program. The first Spanish American literary movement (approximately 1880-1910) that impacted the 20th century Spanish language and culture. **Approved**

SYD 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Contemporary Urban Sociology: PR: Graduate standing or C.I. Contemporary issues in urban sociology. **Approved**

SYD 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Human Dimensions of Natural Resource Management: PR: Graduate standing, or C.I. The dynamic relationship between social and ecological systems, and the integral role of natural resource agencies. **Approved**

SYD 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Race, Class and Environmental Justice: PR: Graduate standing or C.I. The sociological study and analysis of the distributional impacts of environmental degradation on poor people and people of color. **Approved**

SYO 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

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Sociology of Health and Illness: PR: Graduate Standing or CI. Sociological models of health and illness
Approved

SYP 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Guns, Crime and Violence: PR: Graduate standing in sociology or related discipline or CI. Role of firearms in America: Guns in history; civilian gun ownership; guns, crime and criminals; and guns and public policy
Approved

SYP 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Poverty, Homelessness and the Cities: PR: Graduate standing in sociology or related discipline or C.I. Poverty, homelessness and their impact on American cities in the 21st century. **Approved**

SYP 6XXX AS-Sociology & Anthropology 3(3,0)

Social Organization of Homicide: PR: Graduate Standing or CI. An in depth analysis of the social and cultural context of homicide and of intervention strategies. The primary emphasis is on the contemporary U.S.
Approved

GEB 7XXX BA-Management 3(3,0)

Structural Equation Modeling for Business Research: PR: ECO 7423, Applied Models I; MAR 7XXX, Multivariate Analysis for Business Research. Applications of structural equation modeling (SEM) for business research including factor analysis, aspects of measurement theory, mathematical and technical issues about model fitting are covered. **(Dr. Witta requested at the 9/13/04 meeting that this course be tabled pending clarification from the Management Department.) Tabled pending concurrence with professor teaching the course.**

PAF 7XXX HPA-College-HPA 3(3,0)

Microeconomics for Public Policy: PR: Admission to Ph.D. in Public Affairs Program. Introduces microeconomic approach to public policy decision making. Examine role within public sector decisions. Learn concepts. Study microeconomic topics/techniques key to public policy analysis. **(Tabled at last meeting. Dr. Wan to obtain no course conflicts with Economics.) Approved**

COURSE DELETION

SPW 6307 AS-Foreign Languages 3(3,0)

Spanish American Drama II: An analysis of Spanish American Drama from modernism to the present.
Approved

COURSE REVISIONS

ENG 6811 AS-English 3(3,0)

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Cultural Contexts in Texts and Technology: PR: Graduate standing or C.I. Selected cultural contexts in which texts and technologies converge and where reciprocal mediation, definition, or transformation occurs. May be repeated for credit. Tabled pending repeatable question

SPW 6XXX AS-Foreign Languages 3(3,0)

Spanish American Drama: PR: Admission into Spanish M.A. program. Critically recognized Spanish American Theater texts and pre-Hispanic theatrical works. Title change from Spanish American Drama I. Course description change from : An analysis of dramatic texts from Pre-Columbian times to the end of the nineteenth century. No prerequisite had been listed. Approved

SPW 6XXX AS-Foreign Languages 3(3,0)

Spanish Golden Age Prose and Poetry: PR: Admission into Spanish M.A. program. Outstanding authors of the Spanish Renaissance and Spanish Baroque periods. Name change from Golden Age Prose. Course description change from : A study of the major prose works of the Spanish Golden Age. No prerequisite had been listed. Approved

EEL 6763 ECS-Electrical & Computer Sci 3(3,0)

Current Topics in Parallel Processing: PR: C.I. Research topics in parallel architectures, including, but not limited to, systolic architectures, wavefront arrays, interconnection networks, reconfigurable architectures and fast algorithms. May be repeated for credit. Tabled pending repeatable question

EEL 6XXX ECS-Electrical & Computer Sci 3(3,0)

Parallel Processing: PR: EEL 5708. Systems with one or more central I/O processors. Types of parallelism granularity and memory organization. Processor/memory message passing systems. Shared memory multiprocessors. Change in prerequisite from EEL 5707, EEL 5762. Approved

BSC 6XXX HPA-Molecular & Microbiology 5(5,0)

MSc Biomolecular Science I: PR: 1) Acceptance in the Molecular biology and Microbiology Master's program, and 2) Biochem I, or Molecular Biology 1 and 2, or Cell Biology. First semester of a two semester sequence with lectures and literature discussion of structures, functions and relationships of action and functions of biomolecules. Title change. Course tabled at 9-13-04 meeting pending clarification. Tabled*

BSC 6XXX HPA-Molecular & Microbiology 5(5,0)

MSc Biomolecular Science II: PR: PCB 3523, and PCB 4524 or BCH 4053 or PCB 3023. Graduate standing. Second semester of a two semester sequence with lectures, literature discussion of structure - function - relationships of action and functions of biomolecules, Title change. Course tabled at 9-13-04 meeting pending clarification. Tabled*

IDS 7XXX HPA-Molecular & Microbiology 5(5,0)

Ph.D. Biomolecular Science I: PR: Admission to Biomolecular Sciences Ph.D. program. First semester of a two semester sequence with lectures and literature discussion of structure-function relationships of action and functions of biomolecules presented from an interdisciplinary perspective. Title change. Course tabled at 9-13-04 meeting pending clarification. Tabled*

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IDS 7XXX HPA-Molecular & Microbiology 5 (5,0)

Ph.D. Biomolecular Science II: PR: Admission to Ph.D. in Biomolecular Sciences and IDS 7691. Second semester of a two semester sequence with lectures and literature discussion of structure-function relationships of action and functions of biomolecules presented from an interdisciplinary perspective. **Title change.**
Course tabled at 9-13-04 meeting pending clarification. Tabled*

*These four Molecular & Microbiology courses were tabled pending additional clarification.

Additions to the agenda :

Special Topics

CCJ 6938 HPA-Criminal Justice 3(3,0)

ST : American Criminal Courts : PR : Graduate standing or C.I. Focuses on a specific topic in American Criminal Courts by informing students about the process of prosecution and adjudication. **Approved**

COT 6938 ECS-Electrical & Computer Sci 3(3,0)

ST: Introduction to Quantum Information Theory: PR: COT 6600 (Quantum Computing). Basic concepts in quantum information theory and quantum error correcting codes. **Tabled pending approval from Physics Department. (UPDATE : Ralph Llewellyn, Physics, indicated that Physics's concerns on this course have been resolved and they have withdrawn their objection.) Approved**

Course Addition

COT 6XXX ECS-Computer Science 3(3,0)

Introduction to Quantum Information Theory: PR: COT 6600 (Quantum Computing). Basic concepts in quantum information theory and quantum error correcting codes. **Tabled pending approval from Physics Department. (UPDATE : Ralph Llewellyn, Physics, indicated that Physics's concerns on this course have been resolved and they have withdrawn their objection.) Approved**