

Minutes

CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 2010, Noon – 1:30 pm
250 Agricultural Hall

Present: Stier (Chair), Bednarek, Bohnhoff, Gillian-Daniels, Gisler, Grummer
Howell, Kurtz, Paustian, Pelegri, Pfatteicher, Martin, Scheufele

Absent: Eidi

Guest: Lynette Karls

Approval of December Minutes – The December 15th minutes were unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

L SC COM - As part of the obsolete course review, L SC COM is deleting the cross-listings of courses from the Department of Family & Consumer Journalism, since that major is no longer in existence.

COURSE PROPOSALS

New Course Proposals

C&E SOC 540: Sociology of International Development, **Lead: Howell**
Environment and Sustainability, 3 credits

After review, the following changes are being recommended. For item 9b, the words “course instructor” should be eliminated. This course, according to item 10, is listed as an intermediate course, yet there are no prerequisites. There should be some rationale stated for this in the cover letter. Item 11 needs clarification since two items are marked. Item 15 needs to be updated to contain the current department name. In addition, the committee remarked that the grading scale looked low. This item will be brought to the instructor’s attention. This course will be forwarded to the CALS International Committee, in care of John Ferrick, for consideration of inclusion into the International Studies requirement. A motion was made by Howell and seconded by Bohnhoff, to conditionally approve **C&E SOC 540**, pending the above recommended changes and clarifications to the cover letter and items 9b, 10, 11, and 15. **The motion passed with conditional approval.**

NUTRI SCI 500: Undergraduate Capstone Seminar **Lead: Grummer**
Laboratory, 1 credit

A discussion was held regarding the proposed 1 credit hour allotted for this course based on the weekly lab and lecture hours. It was determined that the course should remain at 1 credit for now, with the possibility of increasing it in the future. The committee recommended changes to the syllabus to specify the content to be covered separately on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A motion was made by Grummer and seconded by Paustian to conditionally approve **NUTRI SCI 500** pending clarification of the syllabus content covered on Tuesdays and Thursdays. **The motion passed with conditional approval upon making the above mentioned syllabus changes.**

Course Change Proposals

NUTRI SCI 520: Applications in Clinical Nutrition **Lead: Grummer**
Requested changes: credits and prerequisites

After discussion of the requested changes to the credits and prerequisites of **NUTRI SCI 520**, a motion was made by Grummer and seconded by Paustian, to approve the changes to **NUTRI SCI 520**. **The motion passed.**

Course Deletion Proposals

L SC COM 130: Family and Consumer Newswriting

Lead: Scheufele

L SC COM 330: Family and Consumer Feature Writing

Lead: Scheufele

A motion was made by Scheufele and seconded by Paustian to approve the course deletions of L SC COM 130 and L SC COM 330. **The motion was approved.**

NEW BUSINESS

Brewing Certificate Proposal – The proposal rationale and content were presented by Paustian. The proposal needs to be modified to consistently report that 16 degree credits are needed to complete the certificate. The committee discussion touched on the following points:

- 1) the potential of adding a psychology class to the certificate coursework in the future
- 2) the opportunity to substitute higher level courses for the ones listed
- 3) the ability to pass the course without being 21 years of age
- 4) the possibility of selling the product at the union

After the discussion was held a motion was made by Grummer and seconded by Bonhoff to support the creation of a Brewing Certificate Proposal. **The motion was approved.** Paustian abstained from the vote. John Stier will send a letter of support to the APC for the Brewing Certificate Proposal on behalf of the CALS Curriculum Committee.

CALS Curriculum Committee Web Page - A newly created web page with postings of committee members, dates, deadlines, minutes, agendas, and more, is now available at the following URL: <http://www.cals.wisc.edu/CALSCommittees/curriculum/> Please let Karen Martin know if you find any inconsistencies or have any recommendations regarding this page.

OLD BUSINESS

Continuation of B.S. Degree Proposal – On January 27th, an all college meeting will be held in the Ebling Center at which the B.S. Degree Proposal will be shared by John Stier. Prior to the presentation a few points discussed by the committee included: the benefits of having a Freshman Orientation course, the elimination of the Econ requirement, and the number of credits that would be appropriate to meet the Biological Sciences requirement (8, plus 3 additional science credits) for all CALS students. A motion of support to present the B.S. Degree Proposal college-wide was made by Paustian and seconded by Scheufele. **The motion was approved.**

A motion to adjourn was made by Paustian and seconded by Scheufele. **The motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

February Meetings:

Tuesday, February 9th, Room 250, Agricultural Hall at noon

Tuesday, February 16th, Room 250, Agricultural Hall at noon

Submitted by Karen Martin