

EPC ? Minutes

Sept. 29, 2000

Attending: Deborah Bebout, Ruth Beck, Paula Blank, Eric Bradley, Jim Deffenbaugh, Maryse Fauvel, Joan Gavalier, Satoshi Ito, Tom Payne, Constance Pilkington, Susannah Yunker and Darlene Crouch, permanent secretary for the committee.

Dean Barbara Watkinson, Chair of EPC, called the meeting to order at 11:35 am in Tucker 114. The minutes from September 1, 2000 were read and approved. The minutes from September 8, 2000 were read and approved with one change (KIN 295 new course was approved, but denied for GER 2B).

Considering the amount of courses that were submitted to the EPC for approval the committee did very well making comments and voting on-line. It was suggested that it might be best to make comments and then come back at a later date with your vote after you have read all the input.

Barbara mentioned that Eric Koskinen, Physics and Computer Science student, is working on the application Cold Fusion and hopes to have it up and running in a few months. This will allow each application to have its own file and committee members would then be able to make comments and vote on the same screen. Maryse Fauvel suggested that for voting there should be a place for: Yes ___ No ___ and Yes with reservations/needs discussion ___. The goal is to streamline the process and make it more user friendly.

The following courses were approved on-line by the EPC voting members.

New Courses: (Approved)

ANTH 328, Sun Dance Peoples

BIO 201, Freshman Research

BIO423, Microbiology Laboratory

BIO 439, Topics in Gene Regulation

CHIN 316, Women in Chinese Literature*

ECON 3XX, Economics of Information

ENG 462, The Harlem Renaissance

ENG 463, Major African American Women Writers

GER 408, Senior Seminar in German Studies

GOVT 347, Southern Africa: Politics and Society

MATH 113, Calculus II for Life Sciences

* According to the professor, an application as a new course and GER 5 were submitted. In the transmission of online applications from Spring 2000, this course was mis-filed and only the GER 5 application has survived.

Changed Courses: (Approved)

BIO 404, Topics in Biology (catalog description change and no prerequisites)

BLS 301, Seminar in Black Studies (change to variable 3-4 credits)

ENG 365, Early Black American Literature (course number from ENG 460)

ENG 366, Modern Black American Literature (course number from ENG 461)

GOVT 307, Political Polling and Survey Analysis (catalog description change)

MATH 432, Combinatorics (title change and catalog description change)

GER Courses: (Approved)

GER 4A: HIST 219, Europe since 1945

GER 4C: ANTH 328, Sun Dance People

GER 5: CHIN 316, Women in Chinese Literature

GER 5: GER 208, Introduction to German Literature

GER 5: MUS 173, Jazz

The following courses were discussed and voted upon.

BIO 402, Microbiology (catalog description change and from 4 to 3 credits)
Approved

APSC 421, Fundamentals of Material Science (new course) Tabled until the department decides whether they want to offer it for 3 credits or reduce the course load to ? for undergraduate students.

ITAL 316, 20th Century Italian Women Writers (cross-listed with WMST 316)
Approved

GER 207, Introduction to German Cultural (GER 4A and GER5) Approved

HIST 357, Free and Enslaved Black in the Old South (GER 4A and 4C) Tabled
until the Instructor or department decide one or the other GER designation.

New Business:

Tony Anemone, Chair of Modern Languages and Literatures, has requested that the EPC look into the viability of the Italian Studies Concentration and Minor program that was approved April 13, 2000, assuming that the involved other departments had consented. Dean Watkinson has requested that Deborah Bebout, Maryse Fauvel, and Tom Payne look into the resources and documentation of this approval.

With time running out the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Crouch, Secretary