

The College of William and Mary
Educational Policy Committee
Minutes of the Meeting on October 28, 2005

Attending: Cory Butler, Brad Weiss, Kim Wheatley, John Eisele, Anne Reilly, Sallie Marchello, Pat Van Zandt, Jim Whittenburg, Brian Holloway, Kristi James, Ray McCoy

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm.
2. Approval of the minutes from the October 14th, meeting
3. Chair's announcements:
4. New Course Applications
 - a. GOVT 322 – Global Environmental Governance
Approved with clarification of the prerequisites at the next meeting.
 - b. JAPN 320 – The Japanese City
Approved.
 - c. ITAL 207 – Italian Language through Cinema
Approved.
 - d. ITAL 304 - Tradition and Modernity: Introduction to Italian Cultural Studies
Approved with clarification of the course description.
 - e. ITAL 320 – Imitations of Life: Italian Autobiographies
Approved.
5. Course Change Applications
 - a. HIST 359 – The reformation in Western Europe
Not approved. Suggested that Religion Dept. change the requirements for the Religion major to include this course.
 - b. ITAL 201 – Intermediate Italian I
Approved.
 - c. ITAL 202 - Intermediate Italian II
Approved.
 - d. MUSC E03 – Concert Band
Approved.
6. Curriculum Change Applications
 - a. Modern Languages and Literatures. Changes in the MLL minors.
Approved with the clarification in the description of the minor.

7. GER Applications

- a. MUSC 207 – Composition 1. GER6
Approved.

8. New Business

- a. Change in the 10-semester rule.
Approved.

Ten Semester Rule

A student must complete degree requirements within 10 semesters. A fall or spring semester during which a student attempts 12 or more academic credits counts as one semester under the 10 semester rule. The number of credits attempted through summer session (at W&M or elsewhere), transfer credits earned since graduation from high school, and approved underloads are added together and divided by 15, the normal course load during a regular semester. For example, six hours attempted during Summer Session count as 6/15 of a semester. Credits earned through grades of “W”, “I”, and “G” are included in this calculation. AP, IB, and dual enrollment credits, as well as courses for which a student received an approved medical withdrawal, do not apply toward the 10 semester rule. As long as 10 full semesters have not been completed, a student may take a regular academic load (as well as an approved overload) in fall or spring *or* up to 14 credits in summer session.

9. Old Business

- a. New Course Application possible additions.
 - 1. Course objectives
 - 2. Textbook or reading material
 - 3. Course outline (or content)
 - 4. The nature of the instructional material.
 - 5. Assignments
 - 6. How will you evaluate the students?
 - 7. How does this course fit into your departments’ educational curriculum?
 - 8. Has this course been approved by your department curriculum committee?

10. Adjournment at 4:45 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 11, 2005 at 3:30 in the Colony Room of the UC.