

The College of William and Mary  
Educational Policy Committee

Minutes  
March 21, 2007

Attendance: Ray McCoy (Chair), Gail Bossenga, Bruce Campbell, John Charles, Joe Kane, Steve Holliday, Sue Peterson, Diane Shakes, Evgenia Smirni, Shannon Turnage.

1. Meeting called to order 3:35
2. Minutes from February 28, 2007: Approved
3. No Chair's Announcements
4. New Course Applications
  - a. HIST 313 – Topics in Women's History. Approved.
  - b. HIST 314 – Topics in Women's History. Not Approved.
  - c. ANTH 430 - Material Life in African America. Approved.
  - d. MUSC 363 – Special Topics in Music. Not approved. Change in title was requested.
5. Course Change Applications
  - a. APSC 452 – Networks in the brain and biology. Approved.
  - b. BIOL 205 – General Botany. Approved.
  - c. BIOL 206 – General Zoology. Approved.
  - d. CLCV 101 – Pompeii and Herculaneum. Approved.
  - e. GOVT 312 – Politics of Developing Countries. Approved.
  - f. GOVT 311 – European Political Systems. Approved.
  - g. GOVT 491 – Seminar: Topics in Government. Approved.
  - h. GOVT 498 – Internship. Approved.
  - i. REL 322 – Medicine and Ethics. Approved.
  - j. MUSC 365 – Special Topics in Music. Not Approved. To be discussed at next meeting.
6. Curriculum Change Applications
  - a. Minor in Judaic Studies . Approved with modifications listed in application.
  - b. Government, removal of one of the three options to satisfy the MCR. Approved.
7. GER Applications
  - a. HIST 238 – American Indian History since 1763 – GER 4B, 4C. Tabled.
  - b. HIST 226 – The American West since 1890 – GER 4A. Tabled.
  - c. English 210 – The Gothic – GER5. Tabled.

## 8. Old Business

- a. EPC Response to the Freshman Seminar, GER5, GER7, and Assessment final reports. The Freshman seminar response was approved. The EPC responses will be forwarded to Susan Bosworth in the Assessment Steering Committee. Faculty guidelines for Freshman seminars will be placed on the EPC website in the next few months.

## 9. New Business

- a. Study Abroad registration change. Approved.

Study Abroad: All students who plan to study abroad must register with the Reves Center for International Studies. Pre-approval of transfer credits by an appropriate department chair, program director, or designee is required for all study abroad programs except the William and Mary faculty-led or faculty-assisted programs. Approved study abroad transfer credits count towards the graduation requirement of 120 academic hours. While abroad, students must enroll in at least 12 credits per semester in order to be considered full-time. A maximum of 18 credit hours per semester may be earned. Credits will be transferred only if a student has earned a grade of C or better (C- is unacceptable). Earned credits may count towards a major, minor, or any elective. Students cannot satisfy GER requirements abroad except on William and Mary faculty-led summer programs where the course in question is designated as a GER course in the course catalog. Also, students may petition the Committee on Degrees upon their return to have courses taken abroad considered for the fulfillment of GER 4 or 5. To be approved, the course must meet the criteria of the GER and must deal substantially with the country or region where the student is on the study abroad program. Grades are not posted on the William & Mary transcript nor calculated into a student's GPA unless the courses were taken on a William & Mary faculty-led or faculty-assisted program.

## 10. Adjournment at 4:40 pm.

Next meeting scheduled: March 28, 2007