

Educational Policy Committee Minutes, October 7, 2014

Members present: John Gilmour and Jack Martin (co-chairs), Josh Erlich, Dean Lu Ann Homza, Bill Hutton, Hiroshi Kitamura, Heather Macdonald, Weizhen Mao, Sallie Marchello, April Pisano, Dean Monica Potkay, Cory Springer, Kim Wheatley.

Scribe: Hiroshi Kitamura

1. A discussion on setting the meeting schedule for spring 2015. The committee tentatively agreed to arrange 90-minute meetings next semester. More details will follow.
2. Approval of the minutes from October 30, approved unanimously
3. Regular EPC business, 3 proposals
 - (a) CRWR 482 (Independent Study in Creative Writing)—approved to create this course and add it to the books
 - (b) PHIL 215 (Right and Wrong in the Contemporary World)—approved as a course change from PHIL 212, but not as a COLL 200 course
 - (c) KINE 352 (Nutrition and the Brain)—approved to have it satisfy the writing requirement for the major
4. 6 proposals for COLL 200
 - (a) Tucker McKinney’s “Meaning in Life” (PHIL 201)—approved as ALV reaching out to CSI, with a friendly suggestion on wording for the syllabus
 - (b) Branislava Mijatovich’s “Music and Healing in World Traditions” (MUSC 367)—not approved to be a COLL 200 pilot
 - (c) Betsy Konefal’s “Modern Latin America” (HIST 132)—approved as CSI reaching out to ALV
 - (d) Scott Nelson’s “Southern Cultures: From the Field Holler to NASCAR” (HIST 224)—approved as CSI reaching out to ALV
 - (e) Stephen Sheehi’s “Learning from Dubai: Architecture and Culture in the Era of Globalization”—chairs to request syllabus from Sheehi
 - (f) Matthew Haug’s “Philosophical Problems: Neuroscience and Ethics” (PHIL 306)—tabled for next meeting

Plan for next meeting: discuss applications up to #26

5. Next steps to move towards the formation of the COLL 100 committee

*EPC agreed that it will adopt a resolution at a future meeting to formally establish the COLL 100 committee

*EPC also discussed the following finer points on procedure and protocol:

- (a) nominations by the Faculty Affairs Committee are needed to form the committee
- (b) EPC co-chairs will send recommended language for topics course to FAC
- (c) EPC should bring up a conversation about active learning as pertaining to Item 9 of the new curriculum proposal, approved by the FAS on December 12, 2013