

## **Minutes, Educational Policy Committee, Meeting of 2/17/20**

In attendance: Tuska Benes (chair), Susan Bosworth, John Charles, Mike Deschenes, Josh Erlich, Michael Kordosky, Elizabeth Harbron, Elizabeth Mead, Brian Kreydatus, Daniel Speer, Cory Springer, Rory Oates, Amy Xia, Sally Marchello, John Donahue, Matt Haug, Randy Coleman (Scribe)

### **1. Minutes from 2/3/20 were approved**

### **2. The Consent Calendar was approved**

BIOL 408: Virology Lab	course change application
BIOL 451: Genomics/Functional Genetics Lab	new course application
BIOL 340/MSCI 340: Marine Biology	new course application
GERM 387: European Borderlands	COLL 200 (ALV=>CSI)
GERM 390: Exile and Migration	COLL 200 (ALV=>CSI)
HIST 150: Our Monsters, Our Selves	COLL 150
RELG 278: Deciphering Ancient Egypt	new course application
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### **3. Proposals**

EURS HIST 211: History of Brexit	COLL 200 (CSI=>ALV)
- Approved	
FREN 295: Beyond Business French	new course / domain application (CSI)
- Needs clarification of domain	
GOVT 327: Theory and History in IR	COLL 200 (CSI=>ALV)
- Not yet approved. Additional information needed	
HISP 252: Latinx Novel	new course / COLL 200 (ALV=>CSI)
- Approved	
Military Science	curriculum change application (minor)
- After much discussion of the structure and intended audience for this minor, the proposal was tabled until the Cadet Commander could be present to answer our questions.	

### **4. Military Science Minor**

- Tabled for further discussion

### **5. COLL 100/150 and COLL 350 subcommittees**

**The following revised language on the COLL 100/150 EPC subcommittee was approved:**

The Educational Policy Committee (EPC) delegates the review of COLL 100 and COLL 150 proposals to an appointed subcommittee. The review may include communication to the faculty

member about the proposal. Proposals fully aligned with the Arts & Sciences Faculty and EPC criteria are forwarded to the EPC for final approval. Additionally, the subcommittee collaborates with the EPC and the Center for the Liberal Arts (CLA) in the following ways:

- Advise the EPC on refinements to the course criteria and the Curriculog proposal form.
- Advise the CLA on areas indicated for faculty development.

The subcommittee consists of at least five (5) members:

- 1 – faculty member on EPC
- 1 - faculty member with knowledge of teaching writing
- 1 - faculty members to round out disciplinary areas represented
- 1 – faculty/professional member, information literacy (W&M Libraries)
- 1 – faculty/professional member, instructional technology (Studio for Teaching and Learning Innovation)

Subcommittee members serve 1-year, renewable terms and typically meet at least monthly during the academic semesters. Priority is given to the selection of members who have taught a COLL 100 or COLL 150.

## **5. (cont'd) COLL 350 subcommittee**

- Brian Kreydatus (EPC subcommittee rep) reported out on the progress of defining the composition of the subcommittee and the elaboration plan being developed. They have not yet begun writing the Curriculog form. After some discussion, it was agreed to re-visit and approve the composition of this subcommittee at next week's EPC meeting.

## **6. New Proposals**

GEOL 491: Senior Research course change application

- See the following discussion about senior research in the proposed curriculum change.

Geology curriculum change application

- The first seven points in the proposal were approved. Point #8, Senior Research (see above) generated considerable discussion about the role of an Internship fitting into the definition of research. Further clarification is needed as to how this aspect of senior research might be implemented and numbered (maybe using 498, as other departments do for internships).

HIST 311: Sex in Modern America COLL 300

- Tabled until next week.

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| INTR 191: Soccer and Culture in Hispanic World | new course application |
| INTR 192: Art and Wellness                     | new course application |
| INTR 193: Mindfulness Meditation               | new course application |
| INTR 195: Yoga                                 | new course application |
- INTR 191-195 given blanket approval as conversions from previously-taught topics courses with the caveat that the department will work with the Registrar's office on alternative course numbers.

**7. new business?**

- There being no new business, the meeting was adjourned