EPC Minutes May 1, 2023

Members Present: Vladamir Antasov, Jim Barber, Max Berckmueller, Annie Blazer, Ben Boone, Magali Compan, Jim Deverick, Larry Evans, M. Brennan Harris, Denise-Ridley Johnston, Oliver Kerscher, Christy Porter, Megan Sanbury, Matt Smith, Cory Springer, Kristin Wustholz (chair).

1. Approval of the April 24 minutes approved by unanimous consent

2. Consent calendar approved by unanimous consent

SOCL - 100 - Breaking Glass Ceilings COLL 200 ALV > CSI ENGL - 213 - Jane Austen's England **COLL 300** GOVT - 391 - Criminal Conflict

THEA - 200 & 200L - Introduction to Theatre Course change

DELINK - SOCL 480-481 - Jennifer Bickham Mendez (SOCL - Independent Study)

DELINK - PSYC 498 - Pam Hunt (PSYC - Internship)

3. Review & discuss COLL 300 language – expectations for proposers

EPC wishes to clarify the criteria by which C300 courses are evaluated and approved. The subcommittee drafted a document highlighting several important points for proposers to consider. There was some discussion about whether the new points exceeded the written requirements for C300. The main point being conveyed by the document is that elements of C300 courses source content from the people of an area outside of the US and not about the people. The committee discussed that a common sticking point is the visitors and their direct lived experience, and that this should be emphasized more heavily in the proposals while noting that the visitors can be from the US, provided they lived experience in the area beyond academia. It was also suggested that sustained course content support the visitors, such as reviewing writings or other works from the visitors. There was discussion about whether or not EPC should quantify the non-US-centric content like we do with C200 courses' domain reach-out. During a conversation about how objective course content could fulfill C300, it was mentioned that C300 is not just about what is done differently across borders, but why, which requires an analysis of culture. This is not listed in the C300 requirements, and there is concern that some disciplines may not be able to meet this bar, especially in the sciences. It was emphasized again that the speakers need not be native, provided they have lived experience. A common theme was that written policies and elaborations need updating. Tabled for further discussion.

4. Other proposals

Biochemistry - None

BUAD - 306 - Financial Transparency and Global Markets

Curriculum change

COLL 100

FMST - 150 - Aspects of Film Noir

COLL 150

COLL 300

DELINK - GOVT 4XX - Harish (GOVT - Other)

DELINK - RELG 391 - Michael Daise (RELG - Other)

DELINK - RELG 481-2, 495-6 - Michael Daise (RELG - Independent Study)

DELINK - PSYC 490 - Pam Hunt (PSYC - Independent Study)

BUAD 306 – Not planned until Spring 24. *Tabled for further discussion*.

Biochemsitry – Neuroscience faculty are discussing overlap between programs. *Tabled for further discussion*.

FMST 150 – C150 subcommittee reports that revisions count for writing requirements, so the Committee's concerns about page count are invalid. *Approved by majority vote*.

GOVT 4xx – capstone courses. Proposal was clarified to emphasize 45 hours of outside work for the fourth credit hours. -0- *Approved by majority vote*.

RELG 391 – Proposals were edited to emphasize an expectation that students spend 9 hours per week outside of – *Approved by majority vote*.

PSYC 490 – Edited to include 3 contact hours per credit of independent study. The Committee discussed whether the minimum should be 3 hours per course or 3 hours per credit. – *Approved by majority vote.*

APSC 345/460 – C400 content previously approved. Some concerns about disparate audiences were addressed by "broader impacts" statements like NSF proposals. Original concerns about overlap with existing chemistry courses were addressed by discussions with faculty. *Approved by majority vote*.

Minutes prepared by J. Deverick