

Educational Policy Committee Annual Report

January 1990-April 1991

The Educational Policy Committee's activities since Spring 1990 reflect the impact of Assessment, Budget, and Curriculum Review. The majority of the Educational Policy Committee's time continues to be spent on consideration of specific curricular requests. The requests approved during the last year (see attached) reflect the effect of assessment-driven curricular changes as well as the implementation of interdisciplinary programs (American Studies, Applied Sciences, International Studies, Public Policy, Women's Studies).

The impact of budget constraints, however, overshadowed efforts to implement curricular changes. Although the budget repercussions of curricular changes have always been a concern of the Educational Policy Committee, the pressures of increasing student enrollment were noted by the committee late in the Spring 1990 semester. With massive budget cuts during the Summer and Fall, the adverse effects on the curriculum mounted. The compromises necessitated by budget constraints are apparent. For Fall 1991, course offerings have decreased, class sizes increased, and departments are more dependent on adjunct faculty at the same time funds for adjuncts are increasingly scarce (see attached). Despite the fact that discussing budget cuts has been a painful process, the greater involvement of the Educational Policy Committee in budget discussions concerning the curriculum is a positive outcome.

The formation of the Curriculum Review Committee means that many recent concerns raised by the Educational Policy Committee (e.g., the nature of Area courses) are currently under study by other faculty groups. Since Spring 1990, however, the Educational Policy Committee has discussed several broad policy issues including the uses of adjunct faculty, attendance policies, the issue of the Minor, the pass/fail system, etc. In addition, the Latin Honors proposal developed over the last few years was passed for implementation this year.

Attachment to Educational Policy Committee Report
January 1990-April 1991

American Studies

American Studies 202: Introduction to American Studies(3)
August 28, 1990
New Course

Anthropology

Anthropology 567-568: Archeological Conservation(3)
April 25, 1990
Crosslist these graduate courses as undergraduate courses
Anthropology 467-468: Archeological Conservation (3, S)

Anthropology 566: Documentary Anthropology(3)

April 25, 1990

Crosslist this graduate course as undergraduate course

Anthropology 466: Documentary Anthropology (3, S)

Biology

Removal of the allowance of 8 hours of credit in Chemistry toward
the minimum 38 credits for a concentration in Biology. The
requirement of Chemistry 307-308 and associated labs Chemistry
353 and 354 will remain unchanged, and will still be required
for a concentration in Biology.

September 17, 1990

Revise concentration requirements

Biology 442/542: Molecular Biology of the Gene

September 17, 1990

Change name to Molecular Genetics

Chemistry

Chemistry 415: Advanced Biochemistry(3)

January 16, 1991

New Course

Computer Science

Replacing the Computer Science 242: Principles of Advanced
Programming concentration requirement with three credits of upper-
level computer science courses

February 25, 1991

Change in Concentration Requirements

Computer Science 242: Principles of Advanced Programming

February 25, 1991

Deletion of Course

Change in Minor Requirements from 22 to 19 following the deletion
of Computer Science 242

February 25, 1991

Change in Minor Requirements

Computer Science 240: Discrete Structures of Computer Science(3, A,S)

February 25, 1991

Change in Area/Sequence Designation from (3, A)

Computer Science 131: Concepts in Computer Science(3, A)

February 25, 1991

Revised Content of Existing Course, Change in Course Title from Computer Science 131: Computer Literacy, Change in Area/Sequence Requirements from none to (A)

Computer Science 410: Ethics of Computing

February 25, 1991

Change in Prerequisites from Computer Science 242 to Computer Science 301

Computer Science 430: Computer Languages

February 25, 1991

Change in Prerequisites from Computer Science 242 to Computer Science 301

Computer Science 427: Computer Graphics(3, S)

February 25, 1991

New Course

Computer Science 426: Simulation(S)

February 25, 1991

Change in Area/Sequence Designation from none

Computer Science 426: Simulation

February 25, 1991

Change in Prerequisites from Computer Science 301, Math 112 to Computer Science 301, Math 112; Co-requisite: Computer Science 424 or consent of instructor

Computer Science 424: Stochastic Models for Computer Science(3, S)

February 25, 1991

New Course

Economics

Economics 475: International Trade Theory and Policy(3, S)

February 18, 1991

New Course

Economics 375: Introduction to International Economics(3, S)

February 18, 1991

New Course

Economics 476: International Finance and Open Economy
Macroeconomics(3, S)

February 18, 1991

New Course

Economics 103: Introduction to Economics(4, A)
February 25, 1991
New Course

English

English 310: Literature and the Bible(3)
February 11, 1991
New Course

Geology

Geology 310: Regional Field Geology(1)
September 17, 1990
Change number of credit hours from 1 to 3

Geology 312: Regional Geology Abroad(3)
September 17, 1990
New Course

Geology concentration requirements as follows:

- (a) Two additional courses totalling six hours elected from among Geology 303, 304, 306, 309, 403, 405, 407, 408.
 - (b) A department-approved summer field course can be substituted for three of the foregoing six hours.
- September 17, 1990
Revise concentration requirements

1. Change in Geology 101; Separation of lecture and laboratory into two courses as follows:
 - a. Geology 101: Physical Geology
 - b. Geology 103: Geology laboratory
 2. Revision of concentration requirements
 - a. Forty credits are required, distributed as follows:
 1. A core of nine required semester courses totalling 34 hours, which are Geology 101 or 150, 102, 201, 301, 302, 401, 402, and either 406 or 496.
 2. No change of the current statement is required.(3, A) for Geology 101 and (1, L) for Geology 103
- December 3, 1990
Separation of Lecture and Laboratory into Two Courses

Government

Government 381: Human Geography(3, A)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Government 308: Data Analysis in Political Science(3, S)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Government 482: Geostatic Thought(3, S)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Government 470: Congress and the President(3, S)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Government 150: Freshman Seminar(3, A)
February 13, 1990
New Course

Honors and Interdisciplinary Studies

Interdisciplinary 322: Introduction to Library Resources(1)
June 8, 1990
Collapse the existing two-credit library courses into one one-credit course

Minor in Women's Studies
April 25, 1990
New Minor

Honors 205: Perspectives on Women and Culture
April 15, 1991
Change to Interdisciplinary course Women's Studies 205

International Studies

New Concentration in European Studies
April 11, 1990
New concentration

International Relations

International Relations Minor as follows:

a. One course to be taken from each of the following with no course counted twice:

1. Govt 323 Introduction to International Politics
2. Govt 324 U.S. Foreign Policy
Govt 325 International Organization
3. Govt 325 International Organization
Govt 326 International Law
4. Hist 374 History of American Foreign Policy-1899 to 1945
Hist 445 History of American Foreign Policy in the Cold War Era
5. Econ 471 International Economics
Econ 472 International Trade and Policies
6. Econ 471 International Economics
Econ 472 International Trade and Policies
Econ 482 The Centrally Planned Economy
Econ 483 Developmental Economics

b. Add the following to the International Relations Programs:

1. To International Relations (Africa) add Honors 203 (when appropriate) to lines 7 and 11
2. To International Relations (East Asia) add Honors 203 (when appropriate) to line 10
3. To International Relations (Theory) add Govt 329 International Relations of Europe and Govt 338

Government 470: Congress and the President(3, S)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Government 150: Freshman Seminar(3, A)
February 13, 1990
New Course

Honors and Interdisciplinary Studies

Interdisciplinary 322: Introduction to Library Resources(1)
June 8, 1990

Collapse the existing two-credit library courses into one one-credit course

Minor in Women's Studies
April 25, 1990
New Minor

Honors 205: Perspectives on Women and Culture
April 15, 1991
Change to Interdisciplinary course Women's Studies 205

International Studies

New Concentration in European Studies
April 11, 1990
New concentration

International Relations

International Relations Minor as follows:

a. One course to be taken from each of the following with no course counted twice:

1. Govt 323 Introduction to International Politics
2. Govt 324 U.S. Foreign Policy
Govt 325 International Organizaton
3. Govt 325 International Organization
Govt 326 International Law
4. Hist 374 History of American Foreign Policy-1899 to 1945
Hist 445 History of American Foreign Policy in the Cold War Era
5. Econ 471 International Economics
Econ 472 International Trade and Policies
6. Econ 471 International Economics
Econ 472 International Trade and Policies
Econ 482 The Centrally Planned Economy
Econ 483 Developmental Economics

b. Add the following to the International Relations Programs:

1. To International Relations (Africa) add Honors 203 (when appropriate) to lines 7 and 11
2. To International Relations (East Asia) add Honors 203 (when appropriate) to line 10
3. To International Relations (Theory) add Govt 329 International Relations of Europe and Govt 338

- Government and Politics in Latin America to line 8
c. Up to two courses can be automatically used in both concentration and minor requirements. Also, if a student has two concentrations up to two courses can be used in both concentrations.

October 3, 1990

Revised minor requirements

Specification of requirements for Latin American track

April 8, 1991

Changes in concentration to incorporate changes in departmental offerings

International Relations 391: Short Course in International Relations(1 to 2)

October 8, 1990

New course

Mathematics

Mathematics 109: Concepts in Mathematics(3)

March 14, 1990

New Course

Modern Languages and Literatures

Minor in Spanish to consist of the following:

Twenty-one credits including 301 or 302, 303 or 304, and at least fifteen additional credits chosen from courses numbered 208 and above, with the exception of 397 and 398.

October 8, 1990

Revised minor requirements

Spanish 306: Advanced Conversation(3, A,S)

April 25, 1990

New Course

Chinese 303: Topics in Chinese Language, Civilization, or Literature(3, AS)

February 4, 1991

New Course

Chinese 312: Special Issues in Chinese Poetic Tradition

(3, S)February 4, 1991

New Course

Chinese 310 Deleted

February 4, 1991

Deletion of course

Japanese 411: Independent Study(S), variable credit

February 4, 1991

New Course

Portugese 411: Independent Study(A), variable credit
February 4, 1991
New Course

Russian 201D- 202D: Intermediate Russian Drill(0)
February 11, 1991
Revised Content of Existing Course with the Addition of Drill
Classes

Music
Music 340: Intermediate Instrumental Conducting(3, S)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Music 240: Conducting(3, A)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Music 134: Orchestra(1)
February 27, 1991
Change in Course Title from Music 134: Orchestra/Chamber Orchestra

Music 135-03: Chamber Orchestra(1)
February 27, 1991
New Course

Changes in Music concentration as follows:

1. Hour requirements: No changes
2. Course requirements: From "and 8 credits in a single performance area" to "6 credits in a single performance area; and 2 credits of music ensembles"
3. Other changes: Music 475, Music 476, Music 495, and Music 496 will count toward the music history requirement, if the project is a thesis in music history.

February 27, 1991

Changes in concentration requirements

Music 401-402: Theory III(3,3)
March 28, 1990
Title change to "Advanced Theory"

Music 301-302: Theory II(3,3, S)
March 28, 1990
Title change to "Intermediate Theory"

Music 130: Athletic Band
October 8, 1990
Title change from Marching Band

Music 201-202: Theory I(4,4, A)
March 28, 1990
Title change to "Theory"

Music 135-09: Small Ensembles
October 8, 1990
New Course

Philosophy

Philosophy 310: Interpretations in Social and Political
Philosophy(3, A)
March 28, 1990
Cross-list with Honors 310

Philosophy Concentration requirements as follows:

- (a) Increase total hours required for concentration from 30 to 31
- (b) Require 3 (rather than 2) history of philosophy courses; one of which must be either 210 or 301
- (c) Require a logic course (210 or 301)

March 28, 1990
Revised concentration requirements

Philosophy 401: Theory of Knowledge(3, S)
March 28, 1990
Revised course description

Philosophy 309: Interpretations in Social and Political
Philosophy(3, A)
March 28, 1990
Cross-list with Honors 309

Philosophy 399: Research and Writing in Philosophy(1)
April 3, 1990
New course

Philosophy Concentration requirements as follows:

Require (a) Philosophy 399 and (b) at least two 400-level seminars
April 3, 1990
Revised concentration requirements

Philosophy 413: Philosophy of Mind(3, S)
March 28, 1990
Revised course description

Philosophy 307: Contemporary Moral Problems(3, A,S)
March 28, 1990
Revised course description

Philosophy 324: Classical Chinese Philosophy(3, A,S)
March 14, 1990
Revised course description and new title

Physical Education

Physical Education 491: Rehabilitation Techniques(3)
April 25, 1990
Renumber as 312 and add change catalog copy to indicate that this is an elective course

Physical Education 490: Physical Modalities(3)

April 25, 1990

Renumber as 311 and add change catalog copy to indicate that this is an elective course

Physical Education 204: Introduction to Health, Physical Education and Recreation(3)

April 25, 1990

Title change to "Introduction to Human Movement and Sport Studies"

Physical Education 201: Principles of Wellness(2)

February 4, 1991

New Course

Psychology

Psychology 491: Independent Research(3)

March 11, 1991

Change in Course Title from Psychology 491: Senior Research

Psychology 300: Applications of Psychological Research(3, S)

December 3, 1990

New Course

Public Policy

Minor in Public Policy

August 28, 1990

New Minor

Public Policy 495-6: Honors(3) credits each semester

August 28, 1990

New Course

Public Policy 490: Independent Study(1 to 3) depending on content (usually 3 credits)

August 28, 1990

New Course

Public Policy 391: Seminar Short-Course in Public Policy(1)

August 28, 1990

New Course

Public Policy 498: Internship(1 to 3) depending on content

August 28, 1990

New Course

Public Policy 390: Topics in Public Policy(1 to 3) depending on course (usually 3 credits)

August 28, 1990

New Course

Religion

Religion 321: Ecology and Ethics

April 8, 1991

Change in Course Number

Religion 150: Freshman Colloquium: Ecology and Ethics(3, A)
May 1, 1990
New course

Religion 150: Freshman Colloquium: Islam(3, A)
May 1, 1990
New course

Religion concentration requirements as follows:

- (a) Include Abrahamic religions in selection list for concentration requirements
 - (b) Require Religion 490: Seminar in the study of Religion
 - (c) Increase total hours required for concentration from 27-30
 - (d) Expand the selection of courses to fulfill the writing requirement
- informally on March 14, 1990, pending approval from the Writing Committee
Revise concentration requirements

Religion 345: Topics in Early and Medieval Christianity(3)
April 8, 1991
New Course

Religion 343: Religion and Politics in the City: Jerusalem(3, S)
May 1, 1990
New course

Sociology

Sociology 409: The Social Impact of Computers and the Communications Revolution(3)
October 8, 1990
New course title

Sociology 422 and 522: Sociology of Knowledge and Power(3, S)
November 7, 1990
Revised content of Existing Course and New Title

Theatre and Speech

Theatre 410: Theatre and Society in 20th Century America(3, S)
April 3, 1990
Title changed from History of the American Theatre

Theatre 240: Introduction to Theatre Seminar(4, A)
April 3, 1990
New course

Theatre concentration requirements as follows:

- (a) Include Theatre 240 as an alternative to 204, 205
 - (b) Clarify prerequisites
- April 3, 1990
Revise concentration requirements

Writing Center

Writing 300: Composition Theory and College Writing(1)

February 7, 1990

New course

English 150: Freshman Seminar(3)

November 7, 1990 New Course

Attachment--Impact of Budget on Undergraduate Curriculum

PRELIMINARY DATA CONCERNING NUMBER OF CLASS SPACES
(excludes Departmental Honors, Independent Study, Discussion and
Drill Sections)

(excludes 17 sections funded but not yet created)

100 Level		200 Level		300 Level		400 Level	
Fall 90 Actual	Fall 91 Avail.	Fall 90 Actual	Fall 91 Avail.	Fall 90 Actual	Fall 91 Avail.	Fall 90 Actual	Fall 91 Avail.
6661	7254	6332	6978	7803	9284	2858	3845

CHANGE IN NUMBER OF SECTIONS AVAILABLE--FALL 1990 TO FALL 1991
(excludes 17 sections funded but not yet created)

100 Level		200 Level		300 Level		400 Level	
-1		-8		-19		-24	

NOTE: If, as expected, the number of class spaces actually filled in Fall 1991 compared with those filled in Fall 1990 remains the same or increases, the decline in number of class sections available will necessarily mean an increase in class size. Clearly the greatest change will be the availability and/or size of upper level courses.

NET LOSS IN FULL-TIME FACULTY IN ARTS & SCIENCES--FALL 1990 TO FALL 1991

After shifting positions among departments and receiving private funds for some replacement positions, 8 full-time positions were converted to part-time positions.

NET LOSS IN PART-TIME FACULTY IN ARTS & SCIENCES--FALL 1990 TO FALL 1991
(restricted to State base for adjunct positions, does not include leave replacements)

\$576,000 Actual Allocation for Adjunct Positions 1989-90
\$388,000 Actual Allocation for Adjunct Positions 1990-91
\$309,000 Projected Allocation for Adjunct Positions 1991-92

NOTE: An additional \$162,000 will be included in 1991-92 for conversions from full-time to part-time positions noted above.