

Core curriculum review committee meeting minutes

Meeting date: 4 December 2015

Meeting time: 10:30 to 11:30 am

Meeting location: Kayak Room, 408 Rasmuson Library

Meeting convener: Andy Seitz and Margaret Short

| Name | Present |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Andy Seitz (co-chair) | X |
| Margaret Short (co-chair) | X |
| Bobbi Jensen | X |
| Brian Kassof | X |
| Burns Cooper | X |
| Caty Oehring | X |
| Gabrielle Russell | X |
| Ginny Kinne | |
| Hayley Williams | X |
| Kathy Arndt | X |
| Kevin Berry | |
| Kevin Sager | X |
| Larry Duffy | X |
| Marsha Sousa | X |
| Tony Rickard | X |
| Yelena Matusevich | |

1. Meeting minutes from 20 November 2015 approved.
2. Announcement by committee chair: Five BIOL F397 Independent Study petitions were submitted that are identical to a petition that was approved in the Nov. 20 meeting of the Core Review Committee. Instead of reviewing the additional five petitions, a decision was made to approve them based on the precedent set during the previous meeting.
3. Announcement made by committee member: The HLTH F114 petition that was reviewed and denied during the Nov. 20 meeting of the Core Review Committee was not supposed to be voted on, instead it was only supposed to be presented to the committee for discussion. However, after further discussion, it was decided that the committee would likely not change its mind about the petition, so it was recommended that the petition, which was denied on Nov. 20, be sent to the Provost for waiver of the requirement.
4. Petitions
 - a. Withdrawn – Petition to ESK 109 and/or ESK251 to count toward the Perspective on the Human Condition language substitute, in conjunction with ESK 102. It turns out the student had already taken another ESK language class, therefore meets the PHC language substitute requirement, so the petition was not necessary.

- b. Approved :
 - i. W designator request for BIOL F497. After reviewing the course syllabus, the committee agreed that the course clearly meets the UAF "W" requirements.
 - ii. W,O designators request for ED F486 taken in summer 2015. This request was initially reviewed during the Nov. 20 meeting, but a discrepancy in information prompted the committee to request more information from the course instructor. The course instructor provided more information about the course requirements and grading, vis a vis W and O designators. The committee agreed that the course met the UAF "W" and "O" requirements. It was then mentioned that several other students took the class in summer 2015 and should they receive W and O designators for the class as well? The committee agreed that all students enrolled in ED F486 during summer 2015 should receive W and O designators for the course.

- c. Denied:
 - i. Request to substitute SPCH 104 taken in 1979 for the COMM F131X or COMM F141X core requirement. After lengthy committee discussion, it was decided that SPCH 104 was not a performance-based class, but rather a class about different methods of oral communication, therefore SPCH 104 should not substitute for COMM F131X or COMM F141X which are both performance-based. However, the committee does not feel the student's degree progress should be slowed by having to take another COMM class and therefore recommended this petition be sent to the Provost for waiver of the requirement.

5. Discussion

- a. This meeting on Dec. 4 is the last meeting of the Core Review Committee for the Fall 2015 semester. The next meeting will be held in Spring 2016, after Jayne finds a time that is suitable for the most people on the committee. Because this is the last meeting of the semester, no more petitions will be reviewed this semester and they will have to wait until Spring 2016, unless there are exceptional circumstances. In cases of exceptional circumstances, petitions will only be reviewed by the committee chairs.
- b. Re-visiting the website.
- c. Anything else?