

Minutes
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
February 27, 2012
230 Student Services Building, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Present: R. Panneton (Chair); D. Stauffer; C. Clemenz for R. Sorensen; S. Sumner for A. Grant; B. Watford for R. Benson; Y. Stivachtis; B. Potter for M. Denbow; R. Holloway; D. Thorpe; S. Taheri; A. Scripa; J. Rankin; J. Penven; D. Smith; L. Beecher; A. Hawthorne; V. Fowler; D. Zahm

Absent with Notification: S. McMullin; J. Sible for L.N. Chang

Absent without Notification: D. Patterson; G. Schurig; S. Bennett; J. Browder; L. Cavuoto; K. Heiter; N. Dam; A. Nelson

Visitors: W. Dean; W. Ashton; A. Linkous; G. Costello

Call to Order and Announcements

The Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Robin Panneton, Chair.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

Announcement of approval and posting of minutes

Robin Panneton announced the January 23, 2012 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar website.

Reports and Minutes from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Committee on Academic Support

Bobbie Potter on behalf of Mike Denbow presented the report of the Committee on Academic Support meeting for Calendar Criteria 2013-2018. The committee suggests one revision to the scheduling of Fall Break to avoid conflicts with a football weekend so all students may participate in the fall break. Consideration of altering the length of fall break and Thanksgiving break were also considered. Spring 2012 survey of instructional faculty and student results were shared with the commission. During discussion, suggestions included the need for a future survey of student level of stress during fall semester, expansion of any future surveys to include professional staff, and consideration of the goals of a “break” in the instructional calendar. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Calendar Criteria 2013-2018.

Committee on Undergraduate Curricula

January 27, 2012 Report

Diane Zahm presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula meeting of January 27, 2012. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula report of January 27, 2012. The motion passed unanimously.

For “Second Reading” Non-unanimous Approval

Revised Checksheet Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2014

College of Science

Bachelor of Arts in Physics

New Option Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2014

College of Science

Bachelor of Arts in Physics: Pre-law Option

For “First Reading Only” Non-unanimous Approval

New Checksheet Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2013

College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering: Nuclear Materials Option

For “First and Second Reading” Unanimous Approval

New Minor Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2013

College of Engineering

Minor in Circuits and Electronics

Revised Checksheet Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2014

College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering and Management

New Courses for Fall 2012

College of Engineering

AOE 4434 – Introduction to Computational Fluid Dynamics

MSE 3114 – Mathematics Programming in Materials Science II

College of Science

COS 4314 – Current Topics In Science, Technology & Law

COS 4324 – Global Aspects of Intellectual Property Law

MATH 3054 – Programming for Mathematical Problem Solving

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

ENSC/CSES 4314 – Water Quality

ENSC/CSES 4324 – Water Quality Laboratory

Revised Courses for Fall 2012

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

HORT 3644 – Landscape Establishment and Management

HNFE 4224 – Alternative and Complementary Nutrition Therapies

February 17, 2012 Report

Diane Zahm presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula meeting of February 17, 2012. A motion was made and seconded to amend the report and remove SBIO 3445-3446 Entrepreneurial Design and Innovation from the report due to questions concerning the lack of specificity in the course title. The commission suggested further discussions on the process of revisions occurring after 15 Day Review and approval. Motion was made and seconded to approve the report as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

**For “Second Reading”
Non-unanimous Approval**

New Checksheet Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2013

College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering: Nuclear Materials Option (new option)

**For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval**

Revised Courses Effective Fall 2012

College of Natural Resources and Environment

FOR 3344 – Forestry Field Studies

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

SOC 2004 – Social Problems

SOC 2404 – Deviant Behavior

SOC 3014 – Gender Relations

College of Science

BIOL 3504 – Health Professions Preceptorship

New Courses Effective Fall 2012

College of Natural Resources and Environment

GEOG 2214 – Geography of North America

GEOG 4394 – Introduction to Web Mapping

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

SOC 2034 – Human Diversity and Community Engagement

SOC 4424 – Juvenile Delinquency

SPAN 3494 – Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics

Courses to be Discontinued Fall 2012

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

SOC 3424 – Juvenile Delinquency

Revised Checksheets for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2014

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Sociology: Social Inequality Option (revised option)

Bachelor of Science in Sociology: Crime and Deviance Option (revised option)

New Checksheets for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2014

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Sociology: Africana Studies Option (new option)

Bachelor of Science in Sociology: Research Methods Option (new option)

College of Science

Bachelor of Arts in Physics: Education Option (new option)

Bachelor of Arts in Physics: Pre-Health Option (new option)

Other Business

Susan Sumner, Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, moved approval of the posthumous awarding of the degree Bachelor of Science, major, Biochemistry, magna cum laude, honors scholar, to Heidi Lynn Childs, effective Spring 2012. Dean Sumner indicated the request was recommended by faculty of Biochemistry and supported by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Motion carried unanimously.

Bevlee Watford, Associate Dean of the College of Engineering, moved approval of the posthumous awarding of the degree Bachelor of Science, major, Industrial and Systems Engineering, to David Lee Metzler, effective Spring 2012. Dean Watford indicated the request was recommended by the faculty of Industrial Systems Engineering and the supported by the College of Engineering. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm

Submitted by,

**Amy Linkous
Office of University Registrar**