MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 30, 2015 MEETING OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Location: Gardiner 104  
Present: Simona Bertacco (chair), Matt Church, Bill Cunningham, Paul Himes, Changbing Hu, Dwain Pruitt, Edna Ross  
Absent: Maria Delane, Charlie Zhang  
Guest: Theresa Berbet (Fine Arts), Ginger Brown (Criminal Justice), Keith Lyle (Psychological and Brain Sciences), David Simpson (Urban and Public Affairs), Serban Smadici (Physics)  

The meeting was convened at 2:04 PM.  
The minutes of the October 16, 2015, meeting were unanimously approved.  

04-15F: The committee reviewed the revised syllabus for POLS 310. It was deemed exemplary for its content and rigor. Concerns were raised, however, that the course, which currently does not explicitly require a prerequisite, should require previous POLS coursework given its challenging nature. If the faculty member does not wish to require a prerequisite, the committee respectfully requests that language be added to the syllabus and the official course description recommending that at least POLS 201 be taken prior to enrollment. The committee therefore DEFERRED on approving the course pending a response from Political Science.  

05-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of PARA 395 after receiving the requested revised syllabus.  

26-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ARTH 548  

27-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed changes to CCS 548  

28-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ARTH 648  

29-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed changes to CCS 648.  

30-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ARTH 547.  

31-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed changes to CCS 547.  

32-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ARTH 647.  

33-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed changes to CCS 647.  

37-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed description change for ARTH 325 with the abovementioned revision to clarify that students who take ARTH 325 should not take ARTH 320 or ARTH 321.  

87-15F: The committee APPROVED Criminal Justice’s proposed revision to its Ph.D. core curriculum. On September 25, 2015, the Curriculum Committee approved the following core curriculum:

- CJ 740 Sem: Crime Prev and Soc Control (3)
- CJ 745: Advanced Criminal Behavior (3)
- CJ 748: Sem: CJ Program Planning and Eval (3)
- CJ 749: Advanced Statistical Analysis in CH (3)
- CJ 750: Field Research (3)
• CJ 751: Computer Applications in CJ (3)
• CJ 752: Advanced Research Methods (3)
• Total Hours in Core=21; Electives=21; Dissertation Research=12
• Total Hours for Degree=54

The revised core curriculum will be:

• CJ 745: Advanced Criminal Behavior (3)
• CJ 748: Sem: CJ Program Planning and Eval (3)
• CJ 749: Advanced Statistical Analysis in CH (3)
• CJ 750: Field Research (3)
• CJ 751: Computer Applications in CJ (3)
• CJ 752: Advanced Research Methods (3)
• Total Hours in Core=18; Electives=24; Dissertation Research=12
• Total Hours for Degree=54

88-15F: Fine Arts proposed revision of its BFA in Interior Design curriculum to be in compliance with its accrediting body. The new curriculum adds two new courses, ART 362 and ART 560, and two current electives to the program requirements and changed ART 596 from a one-credit course to a three-credit course. The committee APPROVED this change.

89-15F: The committee APPROVED a requested course description change for ART 361.

90-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ART 362.

91-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of ART 560.

92-15F-100-15F: The committee APPROVED Art History’s requested description changes for ART 561-569.

101-15F: The committee APPROVED the changes in ART 596’s credit hours, description, and prerequisite.

102-15F: The Department of Physics proposed the creation of a 600-level PHYS lab in Quantum Mechanics. As proposed PHYS 623 would be open to both graduate and undergraduate students; however, the syllabus did not indicate the different expectations for enrolled students based on course level. Further discussion noted that undergraduate majors seeking to take a 600-level course would have to petition to enroll, which would add another degree of complication. The committee APPROVED the creation of PHYS 623 as a graduate course ONLY. It would like for the Department of Physics to propose a 500-level version of the course for undergraduates.

103-15F: The committee APPROVED the creation of PHYS 624 as a graduate course ONLY. It would like for the Department of Physics to propose a 500-level version of the course for undergraduates.

104-15F: The committee APPROVED the Department of History’s proposed 3+3 track in law.

105-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of HIST 312. This course will now be the first half of the department’s US foreign relations sequence.
106-15F: The committee APPROVED the change in HIST 314’s title and description. HIST 314 will now be the second half of the department’s US foreign relations sequence.

107-15F: The committee APPROVED the addition of PSYC 310.

108-15F: The committee APPROVED the elimination of PEAC 325 as a prerequisite for PEAC 350.

109-15F: The committee APPROVED the proposed BA in Sustainability with a recommended edit on page 13 of the document changing “programmatic requirements” to “required supporting courses.”

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Prepared October 30, 2015
AGENDA

1) Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2015, Meeting
2) Old Business (available on the Curriculum Committee’s Sharepoint site)
   • 04-15F: Addition of POLS 310 (submission of revised syllabus)
   • 05-15F: Addition of PARA 395 (submission of revised syllabus)
   • 26-15F: Addition of ARTH 548, “Critical and Curatorial Studies II”
   • 27-15F: Proposed Change to CCS 548 (title, description, cross-listing, prerequisite)
   • 28-15F: Addition of ARTH 648, “Critical and Curatorial Studies II”
   • 29-15F: Proposed Change to CCS 648 (title, description, cross-listing, prerequisite)
   • 30-15F: Addition of ARTH 547, “Critical and Curatorial Studies I”
   • 31-15F: Proposed Change to CCS 547 (title, description, cross-listing, prerequisite)
   • 32-15F: Addition of ARTH 647, “Critical and Curatorial Studies I”
   • 33-15F: Proposed Change to CCS 647 (title, description, cross-listing, prerequisite)
3) New Business (available on the Curriculum Committee’s Sharepoint site)
   • 87-15F: Proposed Revision to the Criminal Justice Ph.D. core curriculum
   • 88-15F: Proposed Change to Interior Design BFA Curriculum
   • 89-15F: Proposed Change to ART 361 (description)
   • 91-15F: Addition of ART 560, “Sustainable Design”
   • 92-15F: Proposed Changes to ART 561 (description)
   • 93-15F: Proposed Change to ART 562 (description)
   • 94-15F: Proposed Change to ART 563 (description)
   • 95-15F: Proposed Change to ART 564 (description)
   • 96-15F: Proposed Change to ART 565 (description)
   • 97-15F: Proposed Change to ART 566 (description)
   • 98-15F: Proposed Change to ART 567 (description)
   • 99-15F: Proposed Change to ART 568 (description)
   • 100-15F: Proposed Change to ART 569 (description)
   • 101-15F: Proposed Change to ART 596 (description, credit hours, prerequisite)
   • 102-15F: Addition of PHYS 623, “Quantum Mechanics Laboratory I”
   • 103-15F: Addition of PHYS 624, “Quantum Mechanics Laboratory II”
• 104-15F: Addition of 3+3 track in History
• 105-15F: Addition of HIST 312, “History of US Foreign Relations I”
• 106-15F: Proposed Change to HIST 314 (title, description)
• 107-15F: Addition of PSYC 310, “Psychology of Diversity”
• 108-15F: Proposed Change to PEAC 350 (elimination of prerequisite)
• 109-15F: Proposed BA in Sustainability