

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 21, 2015 MEETING OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Location: SRB 340

Present: Christopher Tillquist (chair), Simona Bertacco, John Busch, Matt Church, Changbing Hu, Dwain Pruitt, Wendy Yoder

Guests: Al Futrell (Communication), Ian Hughes (Justice Administration)

The meeting was convened 12:37 PM.

The minutes of the March 31, 2015, meeting were approved.

13-15S: Based upon communication it received from Dr. Futrell concerning the proposed change to the MA in Communication program, the committee **APPROVED** the department's requested change to its MA as originally submitted.

16-15S: The committee **APPROVED** the addition of CJ 752: Advanced Research Methods in Criminal Justice" after receiving additional material concerning the course's examinations.

20-15S: The committee **APPROVED** the Department of Communication's proposed description change for COMM 336. Its new description will read as follows:

Note: Students who previously took Communication 461-Advanced Video Communication should not take this course. Study of advanced principles of video production including producing, directing, shooting and non-linear editing, along with concepts and theories of aesthetics and video as a communication form.

21-15S: The committee **APPROVED** designating COMM 434 as a WR course pending the submission of a revised syllabus indicating that the minimum length of each submitted essay will be 800 words, not 500. This was requested to ensure that students produce at least 2400 words over the semester, the stated minimum for courses receiving the WR designation.

22-15S: The committee **APPROVED** the addition of GEOS 590, "Selected Topics in Geosciences."

The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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AGENDA

- 1) Approval of Minutes of March 31, 2015 Meeting
- 2) Old Business:
 - 13-15S: Proposed Change to the Communication MA Degree
 - 16-15S: Addition of CJ 752, “Advanced Research Methods in Criminal Justice”
- 3) New Business (attached)
 - 20-15S: Proposed Change to COMM 336 (Description change)
 - 21-15S: Proposed Change to COMM 434 (Adding WR designation)
 - 22-15S: Addition of GEOS 590, “Selected Topics in Geosciences”