M-I-N-U-T-E-S Curriculum Committee Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 11:00 AM Zoom

Present: Ariel Setniker (Chair), Christine Isakson, Amy Parsons, Amy Skoll, Tony Snell, Michael Bielski, Michael Kazek, Amber Janssen, Bets McNie, Alex Parker (Non-voting), and Pat Harper (Non-voting)

Absent: Dinesh Pinisetty (Non-voting), Steve Browne (Non-voting), Graham Benton (Non-voting) and Shari

Smiljanic-Villa (Non-voting)

Guests:

Now, with the EO 1100 revision, one 3-unit Area C Arts/Humanities has been removed, which frees up 3 units in the ME curriculum. ME has never been compliant with Area E so there is no Area E course reduction. Now that there are three extra units, the first change the ME department is proposing is to add one of the units to ENG 112 to make it a 2-unit course. The second change would be to remove the Area A1 designation from ME 462 and one of the units would be added to make it a 2-unit course. Wil will speak with Sarah about the GE Committee approving the removal of the Area A1 designation. One more CCR regarding GE is down the pipeline. ME has never had an upper division B4 course. That course is pending review by the GE Committee. After the GE Committee approves it, it will be brought to the Curriculum Committee. After approval, the Mechanical Engineering program will be in full compliance with EO 1100. The overall load of the program will be reduced by one unit. Mike K. recommended that Wil's slide presentation be included in the CC Sharepoint file.

CCR 10/24-05 BA-IBL Curriculum Revision – Christine Isakson

The GE Committee has approved all the changes to the curriculum to make sure it is in compliance. The lower division Area C2 has been replaced by a 3-unit Free Elective. The foreign language requirement has been dropped but students still have the option to take a foreign language to meet their Area C2. A new C&C questionnaire is needed from Colin when he returns. GOV 200 was moved to spring of the sophomore year. An ISS questionnaire is also needed from Ryan. IBL 100 was added to fall of the freshman year and replaced a 1-unit free elective. To support the Data Science minor, MTH 105 was replaced with a 3-unit math elective so students have a choice to take MTH 105 or MTH 210.

CCR 10/24-06 ISS Curriculum Roadmap Revision – Amy Skoll

This roadmap was reviewed by the GE Committee and was approved. A required course, Cross-Cultural Competence, was tagged as the Area E course. It has been removed from the roadmap, along with the Area C2. Cross-Cultural Competence will remain a course that will be taught, but it will be in an assortment of electives that will be rotated. Another (–)BDC -s

CCR 10/24-08 GMA 375 Research Methods – New Course - Chris Chiego

This course prepares students for writing their senior thesis. Our students need to better understand research, how to do research, how to deal with articles, how to think on their own for developing their own questions. It introduces them to how social science research works in a qualitative and quantitative stance, but also gives them their own tools they can start to use more effectively at this point going beyond the siting sources and start thinking more like a researcher. This course would be designed for the spring semester of the junior year. Students will end up with a final product that is their proposal for their thesis, talking about what they would be using sources-wise, what they would be doing in terms of research design, what their topic would be. This would give them the chance to have their senior thesis class be writing and advising rather than deciding in mid-October they want to change topics and then start panicking.