Minutes

Academic Matters Council
Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Linda Shea, Chair


APPROVE MINUTES for October 7, 2015

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

Revision of Requirements for the B.A. and B.S. in Psychology – does have to go through Faculty Senate

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

COURSE (Tom Weston)

Anthropology 384: African American Anthropology (#1921) (3 credit)

Japanese 142: Survey of Premodern Japanese Literature in Translation to 1600 (#1597) (4 credit)

Kinesiology 577: Cardiovascular Physiology (#1955) (3 credit)

Philosophy 105: Practical Reasoning (#1842) (4 credit)

University Without Walls 350: Experiential Reflections on Health (#1854) (4 credit)

PROGRAM (Patrick Kelly)

• Suspension of the Minor in Nutrition
  [To take effect next September, incoming students would not be able to take a Minor in Nutrition. Current students will be allowed to complete the minor]

• Five College Certificate in Reproductive Rights, Health, and Justice
  [Certificate currently accepted by 3 colleges. 6 courses plus special project (internship, additional course, or independent study)]

• Accelerated Option for the MS in Nutrition
  [Conditional based on approval of 33 credit Master’s]

• Accelerated Options for the MS and MPH in Epidemiology
  [High credit Master’s program. MS – 45 credits, MPH – 42 credits. Significant differences: MS – thesis; MPH – exam or project]

• Creation of a School of Earth and Sustainability within the College of Natural Sciences
  [Formalize & expand collaboration in new areas. Recruit students specifically in Earth & Sustainability, coordinate with multiple departments, Dean will appoint Director. Concerns regarding School including existing School (Stockbridge) as a member (Spire Org Tree).]

POLICY (Pamela Marsh-William)

Update on progress made and the forthcoming recommendations to change the Academic Honesty Policy and Appeal Procedure.

[Language needs to be more consistent & clear to represent what the faculty/student can expect. Faculty encouraged to utilize Informal Resolutions as opposed to Hearing. Informal Resolutions need to be reported. The policy needs to clarify which grading option should be used, during the interim, before a formal hearing.]

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 4, 2015 @ 12:15 pm in the Campus Center 804-808