

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COUNCIL
Tuesday, January 21, 2014
3:15p.m.
Baker Center Room 231
Fourth Meeting of 2013-2014



ATTENDANCE:

Present: Alonso-Sameno, Asleson (for Frank), Carr, Descutner, Dewald, Fawley, Giese, Ingram, Koonce (for Slade), Kruse, Marinellie (for Leite), Martin B, McDaniel, Mower (for Johnson), Palmer, Patterson, Rogus, Thomas, Tuck, Twilley, Wadsworth (for Johnson), Webster,

Excused: Broughton, Spanner, Sparks

Absent: Black, Carter, Cheng, Edmonds, Henderson, Kennedy-Dygas, Martin, S., ., Mathes, Mattley, Roberson, Scanlan, Schirtzinger, Sherman, Trube, Villamil, Weade, Weiler, Williford

Guests: Dewald, Poggione, Whitnoble

CHAIR'S REPORT: David Thomas

Thomas called the Fourth meeting of 2013-2014 to order at 3:15 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Thomas asked for approval of the December 10, 2013 minutes. Carr moved. Fawley seconded. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

Thomas updated the Council on items he has been working on:

- Discussion is occurring about an 1804 proposal that will help strengthen Tier I level writing and assessment of the writing.
- Thomas will be attending the American Association of Colleges and Universities tomorrow
 - The conference concerns Liberal and General Education
 - He will be bringing back information from the conference

INDIVIDUAL COURSE COMMITTEE: Sally Marinellie, Chair

Marinellie presented the minutes from the ICC meeting for approval. Courses approved unanimously by voice vote

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE: Bruce Martin, Chair

Martin presented the agenda.

SECOND READING

CHANGES IN PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Item 1

Program Code: BA5231

Program Name: English

Contact/Designee: Beth Quitslund; quitslun@ohio.edu

Unanimously Approved by Voice Vote

Summary Statement:

The proposed change has four parts:

1. Split the four current concentrations in the English major into four separate major codes and change the name of one of them.
2. Make two changes to all four curricula: adding ENG 3070J as DARS requirement and allowing one major elective to be taken at the 2000-level rather than the 3000-level.
3. Restructure the English requirements for the Pre-law track and eliminate extra-departmental elective requirements.
4. Add ENG 3290 as a way to fulfill the “Theory and Rhetoric” requirement in the Cultures, Rhetoric, & Theory track.

Item 2

Program Code: PH7267

Program Name: Electrical Engineering & Computer Science

Contact/Designee: Douglas Lawrence; lawrencd@ohio.edu

Unanimously Approved by Voice Vote

Summary Statement:

The School of EECS seeks to offer a direct-entry option to its existing Ph.D. program in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS). Presently, students are only admitted to the Ph.D. program in EECS after they have completed a Master’s degree. The rationale behind this change lies primarily in the evolving nature of research in these disciplines. Because most research problems are now beyond the level of most M.S. students, the School wishes to identify, recruit, and support Ph.D. caliber students after the Bachelor’s degree. In order to accommodate direct-entry Ph.D. students, we have modified our Ph.D. requirements accordingly to specify the work performed by direct-entry students that equates roughly to the work performed at the M.S. level. These students must complete 30 hours of formal coursework along with the two years of dissertation related research required of students who enter the Ph.D. program after completing an M.S. degree.

In addition to the direct-entry changes, we made one additional minor change relating to 6000 level coursework. The older Ph.D. guidelines specified a minimum number (6) of hours of formal coursework that must be in mathematics or the natural sciences at the 6000 level or above. The proposed changes drop this number to 3. Hence, the patron departments that may be affected by this change are Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, and Biology.

We have attached the proposed Ph.D. requirements along with a version that highlights the changes to the document.

Item 3

Program Code: PH5192

Program Name: Interdisciplinary Arts

Contact/Designee: William Condee; condee@ohio.edu

Unanimously Approved by Voice Vote

Summary Statement:

The School of Interdisciplinary Arts proposes a change to the doctoral program in order to increase its integration with the College of Fine Arts. Since changing its name from Comparative Arts to Interdisciplinary Arts in 2002, the School has become a central locus within the college for scholarly inquiry concerning the arts. To increase its integration with the college, IARTS is proposing to expand its current focus on scholarship to embrace a new track: scholar/artist. The S/A track will serve to accommodate those students who wish to combine scholarly education with artistic work at the Ph.D. level.

Admission: Applicants to this track must already have a Master's degree in a Fine Arts discipline. Before applying, the student must contact the appropriate Fine Arts professor (outside of IARTS) and include in the application (along with other required material) a plan of study and a letter from this professor indicating support for the student and agreement to the plan. The units within the College of Fine Arts that have agreed to participate are Dance, Film, Music, and Theater.

Support: IARTS will use its current GTAships only, and anticipates that 1-2 students per year will be admitted (IARTS currently accepts, on average, a total of five students per academic year).

Curriculum: A student in the Scholar/Artist track will take at least two graduate-level performance/studio courses with the pertinent arts faculty member over a two-year period, instead of the traditional IARTS scholarly secondary area. In addition, that faculty member will serve on the student's dissertation committee.

Total hours: no impact on resource requirements or faculty. Students will take courses from faculty in Dance, Film, Music, and Theater Patron Departments: Dance, Film, Music, Theater.

Item 4

Program Code: BA 4402; CTWSTU; CTWSTG

Program Name: Women & Gender Studies

Contact/Designee: Vicki Butcher; butcherv@ohio.edu

Pulled back by Program Committee until remaining departments have a chance to respond within a 2 week time frame and to find out if a new prefix will be needed.

Summary Statement:

Propose changing program name from Women's and Gender Studies to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. The WGS Program explores interdisciplinary perspectives from which to examine gender and sexuality as they intersect with class, race, ethnicity, nationality, and transnational movements. The proposed name-change will:

- Formally recognize the centrality of both gender and sexuality in the WGS program's mission;
- Better reflect the current content of the WGS curriculum;
- Bring the WGS program in line with the names of comparable academic programs around the country, thereby appropriately reflecting Ohio University's place at the cutting edge of scholarship on gender and sexuality; and
- Widen the appeal of the program to the ever-growing number of students wishing to pursue sexuality studies in particular.

The change will not impact total program hours, resource impacts, or faculty. The change will apply to the Bachelor of Arts in Women and Gender Studies and the undergraduate and graduate certificate program in Women and Gender Studies.

NEW PROGRAM PROPOSALS

None

FIRST READING CHANGES IN PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Item 1

Program Code: DP8140

Program Name: Physical Therapy

Contact/Designee: Betty Sindelar; sindelar@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

We are requesting a revision of the curriculum for the program in Physical Therapy.

This revision will increase the total number of required courses from 39 to 48/49 (depending upon chosen elective courses) and total required credit hours from 125 to 137. The largest change in the curriculum will occur in the didactic coursework which will change from 34 to 44/45 courses, from 98 to 111 credit hours, and from 140 to 116 contact hours. The faculty is currently teaching all of the required coursework which is reflected in both curricula so no additional faculty needs besides what currently exists in our department are necessary for the change. The physical therapy curriculum is a self-contained program so changes to this program do not affect any other departments.

For many years the courses in the physical therapy curriculum have been divided into lecture and laboratory hours. While this is not unusual for many programs, the problem has been that the laboratory hours for this curriculum are taught by the primary course instructor throughout the entire time of the session. New material in the form of lecture and skill demonstration/acquisition occurs throughout our “laboratory” hours. The primary course instructor is always present and teaching: we do not use any graduate student teaching assistants for any of our courses.

Therefore, the new curriculum will have only lecture hours for all clinically related courses.

Question raised at UCC meeting as to why the credit hours are increasing.

Trying to bring in line teaching contact hours with credit hours

Labs are teaching hours and not being given the proper credit hours

Concerns raised at UCC as to students being able to graduate within 4 years. Their students typically graduate within 3 years' time.

Item 2

Program Code: OR6602

Program Name: Social Service Minor

Contact/Designee: Warren Galbreath; galbreat@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

When this program was transferred from quarter to semesters no changes were made in the course requirements. Since the conversion to semesters the social work program has reduced the number of electives taught. This made it very difficult to obtain a social serve minor. We are reducing the number of required hours for the minor from 21 hours to 18 and adding courses regularly offered to the required courses. This change should not have an impact upon resource requirements or faculty. There are no other departments that would be effected by this change.

No concerns or questions raised.

Item 3

Program Code: BS3310

Program Name: Forensic Chemistry

Contact/Designee: Jennifer Hines; hinesj@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

The proposed changes are to correct errors made during the quarter to semester transition. Some of the semester course numbers were not correct and some of the required courses had prerequisites that would not be fulfilled. These changes should not impact resources or requirements because they are the same requirements that existed under quarters and are required for accreditation of the program by the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. Specific changes include:

- LET 3500 “Criminalistics and Criminal Investigation for Forensic Scientists” replaces LET 1450 was the wrong course and is not taught on the Athens campus. (Note: LET courses are listed for Chillicothe campus)
- LET 3600 “Chemistry and the Law” replaces LET 2000 which will not be offered. (Note: LET courses are listed for Chillicothe campus)
- LET 1050 “Ethics and Legal Issues” is a new course and is an elective that can be taken in place of PHIL 1300 “Introduction to Ethics”. A choice in courses will allow the students more flexibility with their courses and schedules. (Note: LET courses are listed for Chillicothe campus)
- BIOS 1710 and BIOS 1715 “Biology 2 and the lab” were left off during the transition and should be added as a required course because it is a prerequisite course for a later elective BIOS 2060 “Drugs and the Brain” and indirectly for the required course BIOS 3640 “Forensic Biology” that has a prerequisite of BIOS 3100 “General Genetics”. Biology is very important to forensic science and this course covers important material for forensic chemists such as reproduction, physiology, hormones, and immunology. In addition, physiology and metabolism are critical to CHEM 4850 “Toxicology” which is supposed to be the area of emphasis for this option. I would recommend one year of biology for any person serious about a career in the sciences.

The Council would like to see clarification on the LET notes regarding Chillicothe being mentioned.

Item 4

Program Code: PhD / MS

Program Name: Molecular & Cellular Biology

Contact/Designee: Robert Colvin; colvin@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Relocate the Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Molecular and Cellular Biology (MCB) from its current location within Biological Sciences to a stand-alone program within the College of Arts & Sciences.

Letters of support have been received from all affected departments
The program was placed in the wrong area during Q2S

Item 5

Program Code: N/A

Program Name: Health Sciences & Professions

Contact/Designee: Averell Overby; overbya@ohio.ed

Summary Statement:

The change requested is to change the name of the Department of Health Sciences and Professions, created when the College of Health Sciences and Professions was re-structured in 2009-10, to the Department of Interdisciplinary Health Studies in the College of Health Sciences and Professions. Once the name is changed, all courses with an HSP prefix will be changed to IHS.

Concerns raised during the Program Meeting and the UCC meeting dealing with the nature of an academic department.

Will there be tenured faculty associated with this department?

Two Group IV faculty currently. Possibility for more faculty.

Created during the restructuring.

To house programs that were interdisciplinary in nature to encourage interdisciplinary studies

Currently housing

Integrated Health Sciences Baccalaureate

Gerontology Certificate

Clinical Informatics Certificate

Global Health

Health Leadership being currently worked on.

It does have a director.

The College wants to have faculty oversight with the programs instead of Dean oversight.

Departments own prefixes and have oversight as to who can teach the courses.

When was this created as a department?

There is no written policy of what constitutes a department or a school. This is an issue that the Program committee needs to look into.

NEW PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Item 1

Program Code: PHXX01

Program Name: Translational Biomedical Sciences

Contact/Designee: Sonsoles De Lacalle; delacall@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Translational biomedicine is a rapidly growing field within biomedical and public health research that aims to improve the health of individuals and the community by turning discoveries into diagnostic tools, treatments, procedures, policies and education. In this context of change, the doctoral program in Translational Biomedical Sciences (TBS) aims to train students to effectively translate basic research into enhanced healthcare outcomes for the entire population in fields such as biomedical research, bioengineering, drug development, informatics, communications, health policy and planning. As a trans- and inter-disciplinary program, the purpose of the PhD in TBS program is to prepare individuals to lead the implementation of the patient-centered health care of the 21st century. Upon successful completion of the TBS program, graduates will be able to perform biomedical research, lead scientific teams, engage the community in the quest for better health, apply innovative and entrepreneurial approaches to the improvement of the health of their community, and contribute to reduce inequality in the access to healthcare.

No questions or concerns raised.

POINTS OF INFORMATION FOR UCC MINOR CHANGES IN PROGRAM APPROVED AT COLLEGE LEVEL

Item 1

Program Code: BS6260 / OR6260

Program Name: Environmental Health Science

Contact/Designee: Michele Morrone; morrone@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Request to add EH 4010, Climate Change and Public Health, as an elective option. This course is new (taught for the first time Spring 2014) and satisfies one of the environmental health electives for the major and minor. The request does not impact total program hours, nor does it require additional resources. Adding EH 4010 as an elective option does not have any effect on other departments at the University.

Item 2

Program Code: BS3300

Program Name: Occupational Hygiene and Safety

Contact/Designee: Michele Morrone; morrone@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Adding a new course, EH 4010 (Climate Change and Public Health) to the Environment Related Electives of the curriculum. This course was approved after the transition to semesters and is an elective for students in the major. No other academic units will be affected by this change and it does not change total program hours or require additional resources.

Item 3

Program Code: BJ6910

Program Name: Journalism – Carr Van Anda

Contact/Designee: Ellen Gerl; gerl@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Add COMS 1030 Fundamentals of Public Speaking to the courses that may fulfill the Journalism General Liberal Arts Requirement “Arts & Sciences.” This change does not impact total program hours or have an impact on resources or faculty. Since many Journalism majors are currently taking this course, this change is not expected to greatly increase enrollment in COMS 1030. Patron department: COMS

Item 4

Program Code: BJ6907

Program Name: Journalism – Strategic Communication

Contact/Designee: Ellen Gerl; gerl@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Add COMS 1030 Fundamentals of Public Speaking to the courses that may fulfill the Journalism General Liberal Arts Requirement “Arts & Sciences.” This change does not impact total program hours or have an impact on resources or faculty. Since many Journalism majors are currently taking this course, this change is not expected to greatly increase enrollment in COMS 1030. Patron department: COMS

Item 5

Program Code: BJ6906

Program Name: Journalism – News & Information

Contact/Designee: Ellen Gerl; gerl@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Add COMS 1030 Fundamentals of Public Speaking to the courses that may fulfill the Journalism General Liberal Arts Requirement “Arts & Sciences.” This change does not impact total program hours or have an impact on resources or faculty. Since many Journalism majors are currently

taking this course, this change is not expected to greatly increase enrollment in COMS 1030.
Patron department: COMS

Item 6 (Approved pending approval of ITS 4020 by ICC)

Program Code: BC5329

Program Name: Information & Telecommunication Systems

Contact/Designee: Trevor Roycroft; roycroft@ohio.edu

Summary Statement:

Current course requirements specify completion of ITS 3021 (Information and Telecommunications Policy II). The program change will remove ITS 3021 from the required course category, and place ITS 3021 in the elective course category. ITS 4020 (Strategic Decision Making in Information and Telecommunication Industries) will replace ITS 3021 as a required course. There is no impact on total program hours. There is no impact on resource requirements or faculty. No other departments are affected.

Given changing regulatory and market conditions, the shift in program focus from ITS 3021 to ITS 4020 will improve student understanding of issues affecting information and telecommunication industries. (ITS 4020 is currently under review at the Individual Course Committee level.)

REVIEW COMMITTEE: David Ingram, Chair

The committee is working on reviews.

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE, David Thomas, Chair

Thomas approved 2 substitutions for Tier II courses
Thomas denied 1 substitution

NEW BUSINESS

None

There being no further business, Thomas adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.