

University Undergraduate Academic Council
December 5, 2018
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
CEHS Dean's Conference Room

Present: K. Witemeyer, J. Smith, P. Roggendorff, B. Burton, S. Stewart, R. Ashlock, D. Williams, M. Daugherity, D. McAnulty, M. Delony

Absent: S. Hamm

Ex-officios: E. Gumm, M. Long (B. Fang, K. Pybus)

Guests: A. Boone, C. Riley, G. Straughn, D. Pemberton, S. Macaluso, S. Jones

The meeting began at 3:31 p.m.

I. Call to order by J. Smith.

II. Prayer by S. Stewart.

III. Approval of the minutes from 11.28.18

Motion to approve the minutes by S. Stewart; seconded by R. Ashley; all in favor; motion passes.

Information Items:

IV. EACH 466 – Change Prerequisites

V. EACH 451 - Change Prerequisites

VI. SPED 374, 477, 481; EDUC 211, 331; READ 322, 363 – Change Course Terms

Action Items:

VII. GERO 461, 462, 463, 486 – Close Courses

S. Macaluso – This is mostly catalog clean up. These are courses we have not taught in a long time. These were part of the nursing home track we had in the old master's degree in Gerontology. There is no demand for these courses any longer, and I don't have the expertise to teach them.

See below.

VIII. GERO Undergraduate Certificate – Close Certificate

S. Macaluso – This certificate was replaced by the aging studies minor several years ago. Closing the certificate will not affect anyone. There are a couple of students seeking the certificate, but all the courses are still taught, so they can complete the program. New students will be directed toward the minor. We do still offer the graduate certificate. We are not closing that. S. Stewart - Is there a reason to keep the minor instead of the certificate? S. Macaluso - The minor carries more weight than a certificate. Students were not attracted to a certificate. D. McNulty – Is there any marketing value for a certificate? S. Macaluso – Not at the undergraduate level. At the graduate level, yes. E. Gumm – The certificate is not reflected on the transcript. This is the route that helps the students most. We have no other undergraduate certificates.

Motion to approve items VII and VIII by S. Stewart; seconded by M. Daughterity all in favor; motion passes.

IX. NDPD, NUCO, NUEX, NUFS – Delete CHEM 111 and CHEM 112 Requirement from all Nutrition Tracks

S. Jones – These labs are not currently being offered because of faculty cuts. We are having to do too many substitutions. These are also not required for our accreditors. B. Burton – This seems very far to go back retroactively. Four years seems very far. S. Jones – For graduation requirements, will seniors see this change? E. Gumm – Yes, they will be reflected in the degree audits. Not in the catalog. It is a long runway. My sense is this is a big substitution/waiver process. It does create a question of disparity when degree plans don't match the official catalog record. S. Jones – I was just trying to catch the seniors. Some of these are beyond our control, like the chemistry changes. None of these changes will adversely affect anyone that has already taken the courses. E. Gumm – I agree that it broadens their options and does not narrow any student options. It is a bigger deal for the Chemistry items. Less of an issue for the PEAC changes. S. Stewart – Are we setting a precedent that we don't want to set? M. Daughterity – I'm in favor of the degree plan reflecting reality.

See below.

X. KSRM - Expand PEAC Adventure Activity Menu

S. Jones – We are expanding the menu to offer more options to our students. For scheduling and availability. S. Stewart – Why is it retroactive to so far back? S. Jones – We have seniors still taking these requirements. There are students who have taken these other courses and need them to count.

See below.

XI. KNOT, KNPT – Expand PSYC 311 Requirement to Include MATH 123 Option

S. Jones – This will give them another option for statistics. J. Smith – I didn't see documentation from the Math department regarding their ability to serve additional students for MATH 123. S. Jones – I don't think I did that. G. Straughn – MATH 123 is a fairly full course. We could possibly expand. It is offered every semester. I feel pretty good about the capacity being available. D. McNulty – These are two very different levels. Upper-level statistics and lower-level statistics are not equivalent. S. Jones – Our OT and PT schools just want to see statistics. E. Gumm – I would usually ask about upper-division hours, but you have plenty in your program. D. McNulty – I'm a little uncomfortable with what best serves the students. S. Jones – I don't know how interchangeable they are. G. Straughn – One question might be, why not add the other statistics courses? MATH 123 is the broadest possible spectrum. Why did we pick PSYC 311 instead of MATH 123 in the beginning? I like for us to err on the side of greater flexibility. J. Smith – Not all of our statistics courses are appropriate for the introductory level. I don't think we would want to add all of these without further study. E. Gumm – I would also advocate for MATW 123 since it is equivalent to MATH 123.

See below.

XII. KNOT, KNTP - Expand PEAC Menu to a Range (PEAC 101-399)

S. Jones - This is expanding the menu to grant more options to students.

See below.

XIII. KNOT - Remove KINE 421 from Degree Plan

S. Jones – This is a course where they teach Lifetime Wellness. We have way too many TAs for the number of courses we are teaching. There is no actual benefit to the students for taking this course, so we want to take it out of their degree plan.

See below.

XIV. KGEN - Expand HED Menu Range

S. Jones – HED 112 is the only HED course we are teaching at this time. Our faculty member retired who was teaching these courses. There is no issue with higher-level hours. There is only the one additional course this expansion would include.

See below.

XV. KGEN - Remove CHEM 111 Requirement

S. Jones – We are removing the lab requirement and increasing the elective hours by one. P. Roggendorff – This seems like it is outside of your control. Does it affect other programs? Why not have Chemistry close the courses? G. Straughn – There have been

pressures on the department, however, fewer programs have needed or wanted a lab sections of the introductory chemistry. We have numerous semesters with a lack of enrollment. The demand led to this change. M. Daugherty – Even if Chemistry closes the courses, we would still have to come through council to change the degree plans.

Motion to approve items IX – XV with the addition of the equivalent course of MATW 123 to item XI by S. Stewart; seconded by M. Daugherty; all in favor; motion passes.

Meeting ended at 4:09 p.m.