

# University Courses and Curricula Committee - May 4th, 2016

Talley Student Union 3222 Call to Order: 12:36 PM

## Members Present: Chair, Scott Despain,

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**, Li Marcus, Sarah Howard,

Guests: Robert Sandruck

Welcome and Introductions

- Chair Dr. Scott Despain—Thanked everyone for their service and acknowledged those who are returning off UCCC.
- Dr. Kirby—Encouraged members to work with OUCC over the summer on edits as needed.

#### Approval of UCCC April 27th, 2016 Minutes

• The minutes were presented and approved without further discussion.

New Business:

- Consent Agenda—Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** The consent agenda was presented and members noted a misspelling of "offering" on an item. The consent agenda was approved without further discussion.
- Course and Curricular Business

## Renewal of PCOM Dual Degree with Germany-- Approved Unanimously

**Discussion:** Guest Robert Sandruck presented the dual degree to the committee. Dr. Kirby mentioned that section 10 regarding assessment and outcomes has not been updated with new material or indications of review, which is needed for the renewal of external dual degree arrangements. Sandruck agreed that they would look into assessment to submit to Rebecca Swanson for SCRT.

### ANS 402 Beef Cattle Management -- Approved Pending

- Discussion: There was a question about which curricula were affected and if CALS needed a consult. It was confirmed that the affected curricula are all within the college and all have this course as "elective." Friendly suggestion to revise the "E" in the grading scale, rubric, and include a price for the textbook.
- ANS 404 Dairy Cattle Management– Approved Pending
  - Discussion: There was a small mistype in the catalog description. A member complimented the grading breakdown.
- ARE 415 Introduction to Commodity Future Markets -- Approved Unanimously
  - Discussion: Members noted the liberal attendance policy

# ARE 420 Taxation in Agriculture, Production, and Agribusiness -- Approved Pending

- Discussion: The members noted the lack of reading and wondered if there were several handouts for the course. This was discussed during the college-level meeting. The Wallstreet Journal's cost was include in the course and there are a number of current events that students will be evaluated on. It is possible to bring this back to the college committee and ask what tax issues they wish to address, especially with no text indicated. This course has been taught a few times, and should be able to furnish the syllabus with this information. Approved pending with follow-up about the textbook.
- ARE 448 International Agricultural Trade -- Approved Pending
  - **Discussion:** A friendly suggestion for an electronic hosting statement and office hours. A commendation for the parts that describe how to help other classmates. The course was approved without further discussion.
- ARE 455 Agribusiness Analytics Tabled Unanimously
  - Discussion: There is a PCOM course as a prerequisite, but no consultation with PCOM. The issue here is that course is restricted to PCOM students. Friendly suggestion to consult with PCOM and COS to find a different ST course that would be a better fit. The address on the disabilities section needs to be updated, as well as the electronic hosting statement for Moodle. No textbook, office hours. The course was tabled unanimously until the fall semester.
- SSC 341 Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management -- Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** This is the lecture portion of a lecture/lab course. Dr. Kirby commended the department for bringing forward this course for review as it has not been updated in some time. A member asked why the class was being split up into a lecture class and a lab class. The department wanted students to be able to take the lecture component while enabling students to take the lab (which has more restricted seating) at a different time.
- Soil Science Minor 11SSM -- Approved Unanimously
  - Discussion: The members thought the revisions looked nice and clean. The minor was approved

without further discussion.

- Agribusiness Management 11AGBAAS -- Approved Unanimously
- Discussion: The changes were presented and approved without further discussion.
- Industrial Engineering 14IEBS—14IEFUR -- Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** Minor changes to the 14IEBS displays, and the larger change is discontinuing the 14IEFUR concentration, which no longer exists. The action was approved without further discussion.
- NE 301 Fundamentals of Nuclear Engineering -- Approved Unanimously
  - Discussion: The course was presented and approved without further discussion.
- NE 403 Nuclear Reaction Laboratory -- Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** Member from Engineering explained that the lecture portion was to provide guidance for the actual labs that the students would be a part of.
- GIS 205 Spatial Thinking in GIS -- Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** Friendly suggestion to make the evaluation methods more specific. There is a typo in the syllabus where "receive" is spelled wrong.
- Statistics BS 17STBS -- Approved Unanimously
  - Discussion: The curriculum was presented and approved without further discussion.
- 18TEXTECHBS—18TEXTECHMT Medical Textiles; 18TEXTECHSC Supply Chain Operations; 18TEXTECHTT Technical Textiles -- Approved Unanimously
  - Discussion: The curriculum was presented and approved without further discussion.
- Global Perspectives Certificate -- Approved Unanimously
  - **Discussion:** There was a small typo under #3 where "DS" should be "D." The members briefly discussed how the Global Perspectives Certificate is put together. There will be another advisory committee in the Fall.
- Political Science: Law and Justice 16PSLJ -- Approved Pending
  - Discussion: A member requested that the listing of courses be reviewed in order to remove some electives that are no longer offered and which courses are heavily restricted such as BUS 305 and ADN 202 (restricted to majors only, for example).
  - Law and Justice 16PSBA—16PSLLJ; Law and Theory 16PSLJL -- Approved Unanimously
    - **Discussion:** The action was presented and approved without further discussion.

#### Service Learning Subcommittee Report

Consider an admin approval to give those eight courses the Service Learning aspect and update any other courses from this list that could be considered by the body for the Service Learning attribute. This is wide open for resubmission through the regular process. All of these were good courses.

This was a very good, involved process to look at very special courses. Any feedback about the work of subcommittees as a screening group for these categorical approvals?

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the eight courses. Seconded. The courses were **approved unanimously** without further discussion.

Think we should work very hard on the "maybe" courses for Carnegie Report.

Presented a gift to the Chair Scott Despain for this work this year. He appreciated his office. The gift was an engraved gavel.

Meeting Adjourned at: 2:13 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Sarah Howard