**Council on Undergraduate Education 2021-2022**  September 10, 2021

**Meeting hosted via Zoom**

1:30pm-3:00pm

**Members Present:** Chair Darby Orcutt, (Past Chair) Carrie Pickworth, Qiuyun (Jenny) Xiang, David Berube, Marc Russo Steven Miller, Nancy Moore, Lara Pacifici, Herle McGowan, Jane Lubischer, Ahmed El-Shafei, Nathan Leaf (UC Proxy), Peggy Domingue, Dave Provost, Tushar Ghosh, Allison Reed (PCOM proxy)

**Members Absent**: Jillian Haeseler, Tamah Morant,

**Guests**: Kaitlyn Mittan, Tom Koch, Anne Auten, Erin McKenney,

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Li Marcus, Erin Dixon, Bret Smith, Stephany Dustan, Helmut Hergeth, Michael Bustle

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

* ***Remarks from Chair Darby Orcutt*** – Chair welcomed guests and proxies.
* ***Remarks and Updates from OUCCAS/DASA –*** A quick announcement for CIM for Programs training
* ***Approval of the CUE Minutes from August 27, 2021***  *–Approved*Discussion: Move to approve by Lara Pacifici.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Consent Agenda* – *Approved*

Discussion: The consent agenda was presented by the chair, reminding the committee these are shells that the individual offerings will come through committee for approval. Motion to approve by Peggy Domingue.

Review Courses for GEP

* **AEC 245: Global Conservation Ecology (GK, IP)** – *Approved for IP and GK with Suggestions*

Discussion: This course was presented by Jane Lubischer *for the IP category.* Reviewers at the meeting thought the course looked good.

Notes sent in from an absent reviewer detailed concerns regarding the amount and alignment of information presented in the CIM record. They suggested trimming the CIM information to focus directly on examples relevant to the objective(s). Objective 1, for example, did not make clear how social sciences were integrated into the course.

Members discussed how the first objective’s protected area design indication provides policy, as does the structure decision making for natural and social sciences. Guest, Erin McKenney, provided clarity on what parts of the outcome are specific to social science. Members stressed that it was clear that the course meets IP objectives with the information provided, and that points of clarification would be good suggestions for future offerings and records.

Motion called to question the IP category for a vote. Passed unanimously.

*Member Jane Lubischer presented the course for the GK category.* Reviewers indicated this category looked good.

Member asked for clarity on how a non-US society or culture is taught in the course, for example in outcome 1 for objective 1, which states “people that represent the global diversity of our human society,” which could be the US (therefore avoiding the study of another society outside of the US). Guest clarified that in these instances, students are provided with a list of companies and organizations from all over the world, and after studying them individually, the students come together to compare and contrast. This answered present members’ concerns.

Motion passed unanimously.

*Special Topics/HON Course Offerings*

* **HUM/IPGE 295/ HI 298 Uncovering Earth’s Deep History (HUM, IP)** – *Approved with Suggestions*

Discussion: This course was presented by David Berube. Member noted that, given the depth and rigor of the readings and expectations of the course, that the outcomes were largely lower-level Bloom verbs such as “identify.” The reviewers were impressed with the student measures. Member remaked that since what was under discussion was the level of the outcomes themselves rather than their alignment to GEP objectives, the discussion fell more in the realm of UCCC rather than CUE. The Chair confirmed, and these suggestions would be communicated to the initiator for when the course is offered again or proposed under a permanent number.

**Discussion**: Chair reminded the committee that Chair elect nominations are still open.

Member made a motion for the new three credit hour requirement be implemented while keeping the current co-requisite requirement. No second.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 2:19 PM

*Respectfully submitted by Lexi Hergeth.*