

**College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
Committee on Curricula & Courses
Minutes for the meeting of December 14, 2010
Approved via electronic canvass 29 December 2010**

Chair John Manning called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm in Room 162 of the Dodd Research Center. Members Present: Oksan Bayulgan (POLS), Margaret Breen (ENGL), Thomas Craemer (PP), Manisha Desai (WS), Jon Gajewski (LING), Bob Gallo (PNB), Miguel Gomes (MCL), Doug Hamilton (CLAS), Robert Henning (PSYC), Katrina Higgins (CLAS), David Knecht (MCB), Charles Lansing (HIST), Gerald Leibowitz (MATH), Paul Lewis (EEB), William Lott (ECON), Robert G. Michel (CHEM), Richard Rockwell (SOCl)
Visitors: Richard Hiskes (HRTS), Diana Rios (PRLS)

I. PRELIMINARIES

A. Breen appointed secretary *pro tem*.

B. Minutes of November 16, 2010 meeting approved with amendments as follow:

2010-119 (WS 1105 Gender in Everyday Life: CA4-INT added);

2010-123 (WS 3252 Genders and Sexualities: three-thousand level designation retained);

2010-126 (WS 2367 Women and Poverty: Catalog copy amended to read "Exploration of poverty and gender inequality within the frameworks of the global political economy in select countries. Impact of race, class, and gender differences on policy";

2010-145 CAMS 3295 Special Topics Second Temple Literature: request withdrawn; to be offered under standing variable topics number.

C. Chair's report:

1. Interim course approvals: Possibly MCB 3295. Knecht reported that a proposal remains incomplete; the chair will report next meeting.

D. Honors rules changes (status): remains pending before Scholastic Standards

E. Residence requirement (documentations, senate, & CLAS): Higgins will present material next meeting.

F. UICC: Rockwell & Henning: Advice sought on how best to grade FYE and SYE type courses. *Cf. Working draft:* "UNIV courses may be, and indeed are likely to be, interdisciplinary in nature. Such courses are proposed by and administered by university units that report to the chief academic officer and are not academic departments nor academic programs located in schools and colleges. University units that offer or may wish to offer UNIV courses operate with University-wide scope and exist to facilitate and complement the teaching and academic programs of the schools and colleges." Some courses not taught by faculty.

G. Character & Leadership of this committee: the dean's proposal to abolish and replace it. Brief discussion of the CLAS faculty's recent rejection of the proposed changes. In the subsequent absence of decanal acknowledgement, Hamilton assured the committee that the dean will not be pursuing this matter.

II. DEPARTMENTAL COURSE PROPOSALS

I. Proposals postponed from an earlier meeting:

2010-70 Drop the Aquaculture Minor: Approved unanimously

2010-104 Add POLS 3625 and its W Variant [approved 19 Oct: revised after subsequent consultation with Dept of Public Policy] Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

POLS 3625. Public Opinion in American Politics

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: open to juniors or higher. Structure and dynamics of public opinion in American politics.

POLS 3625W. Public Opinion in American Politics Either semester. Three credits.

Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800; open to juniors or higher. Structure and dynamics of public opinion in American politics

2010-113 Add LCL 6XXY: needs number resolved (should be 5XXY?) Postponed: remains pending faculty agreement on text

2010-114 Change CLCS 5302 postponed: remains pending faculty agreement on text

2010-116 Add LCL 6XYZ [proposal revised 8 November, but still lacks faculty agreement]: Postponed

2010-138 Add HRTS 4XXX: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

HRTS 4XXX. Service Learning Seminar/Internship.

Either semester. Three credits. Class hours by arrangement. Prerequisite: Open only with instructor consent.

Combination of internship work within the larger human rights community with regular classroom meetings for reflection/analysis on the application of human rights concepts and practices. Includes the production of a written/media portfolio of semester's work.

2010-139 Add HRTS 4XYXW: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

HRTS 4XYXW. Senior Thesis.

Either semester. Three credits. Class hours by arrangement. Prerequisite ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800: Open only with instructor consent.

Research and writing of major project exploring a topic within human rights, with close supervision and production of multiple written drafts.

2010-140 Add SOCI 3XXX/HRTS 3XXX and its W Variant [rev 15 Nov]: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

HRTS/SOCI 3XXX. Refugees and Humanitarianism

Either semester. Three credits.

Social and political challenges of living as a refugee and working in humanitarian settings with a focus on refugee camps, institutional development of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, and alternative approaches to refuge.

HRTS/SOCI 3XXX W. Refugees and Humanitarianism

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.

2010-141 Add SOCI 3XXY/HRTS 3XXY & its W variant [rev 15 Nov]: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

SOCI 3XXY/HRTS 3XXY. Sociology of Global Human Rights

Either semester. Three credits.

Comparative approach to the study of human rights in the United States and elsewhere around the world from a sociological perspective.

SOCI 3XXY/HRTS 3XXY W. Sociology of Global Human Rights

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.

2010-142 Add HRTS 3XXZ and its W variant: Approved unanimously

Final Catalog copy:

HRTS 3XXX. Human Rights Through Film.

Either semester. Three credits.

Human rights-related issues explored via the cinematic medium. Both the substantive content and the technical aspects of the films will be analyzed through a combination of lecture, viewing, and group discussion.

HRTS 3XXX W. Human Rights Through Film.

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.

2010-143 Add POLS 3428/HRTS 3428: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

POLS 3428/HRTS 3428. The Politics of Torture.

Either semester. Three credits.

Examination of the usage of torture by state and non-state actors. Questions include, "Why is torture perpetrated?" "What domestic and international legal frameworks and issues related to the use of torture?" "How effective are existing legal prohibitions and remedies?" "Who tortures?" and "How does torture affect transitional justice?"

2010-144 Add POLS 3430/HRTS 3430: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

POLS 3430/HRTS 3430. Evaluating Human Rights Practices of Countries.

Either semester. Three credits.

Examination of the ways in which governments, businesses, NGOs, IGOs, and scholars assess which human rights are being respected by governments of the world. Hands-on experience in rating the level of government respect for human rights in countries around the world.

II. New Departmental Proposals:

2010-148 Change the HIST Major: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

The study of history aims at the understanding and disciplined reconstruction of past human activities, institutions, ideas, and aspirations in the light of present knowledge and in the hope of usefulness for the future. History belongs both to the humanities and to the social sciences. It is studied both for its own sake and for the light it throws on the present problems and future prospects of particular societies and of humankind in general.

A major in history in combination with work in foreign languages, philosophy, literature, and the social sciences provides a broad foundation for informed citizenship. History majors find employment in many fields of human endeavor from arts and business to public service and education. Specialization in history is especially valuable as pre-professional training for law, government, diplomacy, and journalism and for library, archival, and museum administration.

Requirements for the Major in History: Undergraduate majors are required to take at least 27 credits at the 2000-level or above, which must include one three-credit course from each of Groups A, B, and C, and two three-credit courses from Group D. All majors must take HIST 2100 in the semester following their declaration as majors, and all majors except Honors students must take HIST 4994W in their senior year. Honors students should take in sequence 4994W and 4997W or 4997W and 4999. With the consent of the undergraduate major's advisor, graduate level courses may be used to fulfill the distribution requirement. HIST 2100 and 4994W satisfy the information literacy competency. HIST 4994W or 4997W satisfy the writing in the major requirements.

Group A - Ancient, Medieval, and Early Modern: HIST 3300 (ANTH 3513), 3301 (CAMS 3253), 3320 (CAMS 3254), 3325 (CAMS 3255), 3330 (CAMS 3256, HEB 3218, JUDS 3218), 3335 (CAMS 3250), 3340 (CAMS 3243), 3350, 3360, 3361, 3370, 3371, 3400, 3401, 3420, 3450, 3460, 3470, 3704

Group B - Modern Europe: HIST 2206 (SCI 2206), 2240, 2401, 2402, 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3203 (HDFS 3423), 3205, 3207 (HRTS 3207), 3412, 3413, 3416 (WS 3416), 3418 (HEB 3203, JUDS 3203), 3421, 3426, 3430, 3440, 3451, 3456, 3463, 3471.

Group C - United States: HIST 2206 (SCI 2206), 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3204W, 3206, 3502, 3504, 3510, 3516, 3520, 3522, 3530 (AASI 3578), 3531 (AASI 3531), 3540, 3541 (URBN 3541), 3544, 3550, 3551, 3554, 3555, 3556W, 3561 (WS 3561), 3562 (WS 3562), 3563 (AFAM 3563, HRTS 3563), 3564 (AFAM 3564), 3568 (AFAM 3568), 3570, 3575 (PRLS 3221, HRTS 3221), 3660W (LAMS 3660W), 3674 (PRLS 3220). Either HIST 3520 or 3522, but not both, may be counted for credit toward the major.

Group D - Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Middle East: HIST 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3202 (HRTS 3202), 3206, 3422, 3607, 3608W, 3609, 3610, 3620 (AFAM 3620), 3621, 3635, 3640, 3643, 3660W (LAMS 3660W), 3674 (PRLS 3220), 3704, 3705, 3712, 3752 (AFAM 3752), 3753 (AFAM 3753), 3770 (AFAM 3224), 3808 (AASI 3808), 3809 (AASI 3809), 3812 (AASI 3812), 3822, 3832, 3863.

Variable Topics Courses (HIST 3100W, 3101W, 3102, 3991, 3993, 3995, 3998, 4989, 4994W, 4997W, 4999, or a graduate level History course) may be applied to any of the four distribution groups as determined by course content and with Advisor consent. No more than six credits of HIST 3991 will count toward the major requirements.

A minor in History is described in the "Minors" section.

2010-149 Change the HIST Minor: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

Students must pass five courses (15 credits), by completing (A) five courses across at least three distribution groups, or (B) HIST 2100 and four courses across at least three distribution groups.

List of Courses

Group A - Ancient, Medieval, and Early Modern: HIST 3300 (ANTH 3513), 3301 (CAMS 3253), 3320 (CAMS 3254), 3325 (CAMS 3255), 3330 (CAMS 3256, HEB 3218, JUDS 3218), 3335 (CAMS 3250), 3340 (CAMS 3243), 3350, 3360, 3361, 3370, 3371, 3400, 3401, 3420, 3450, 3460, 3470, 3704

Group B - Modern Europe: HIST 2206 (SCI 2206), 2240, 2401, 2402, 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3203 (HDFS 3423), 3205, 3207 (HRTS 3207), 3412, 3413, 3416 (WS 3416), 3418 (HEB 3203, JUDS 3203), 3421, 3426, 3430, 3440, 3451, 3456, 3463, 3471.

Group C - United States: HIST 2206 (SCI 2206), 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3204W, 3206, 3502, 3504, 3510, 3516, 3520, 3522, 3530 (AASI 3578), 3531 (AASI 3531), 3540, 3541 (URBN 3541), 3544, 3550, 3551, 3554, 3555, 3556W, 3561 (WS 3561), 3562 (WS 3562), 3563 (AFAM 3563, HRTS 3563), 3564 (AFAM 3564), 3568 (AFAM 3568), 3570, 3575 (PRLS 3221, HRTS 3221), 3660W (LAMS 3660W/PRLS 3660W), 3674 (PRLS 3220). Either HIST 3520 or 3522, but not both, may be counted for credit toward the minor.

Group D - Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Middle East: HIST 3201 (HRTS 3201), 3202 (HRTS 3202), 3206 (AFAM 3206), 3422, 3607 (LAMS 3607), 3608W, 3609 (LAMS 3609), 3610, 3620 (AFAM 3620), 3621, 3635 (LAMS 3635), 3640, 3643, 3660W (LAMS /PRLS 3660W), 3674 (PRLS 3220), 3704, 3705, 3712, 3752 (AFAM 3752), 3753 (AFAM 3753), 3770 (AFAM 3224), 3808 (AASI 3808), 3809 (AASI 3809), 3812 (AASI 3812), 3822, 3832, 3863.

Variable Topics Courses (HIST 3100W, 3101W, 3102, 3991, 3993, 3995, 3998, 4989, 4994W, 4999, or a graduate level History course) may be applied to any

of the four distribution groups as determined by course content and with the Undergraduate Director's consent. No more than six credits of HIST 3991 will count toward the minor requirements.

The minor is offered by the History Department.

2010-150 Change MARN 5010: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

MARN 5010. Biological Oceanography.

Either semester. Three credits. Lecture. Not open to students who have passed MARN 4010.

Structure and function of marine food webs, from primary producers to top trophic levels; interaction of marine organisms with the environment; energy and mass flow in food webs; elemental cycling; coupling between pelagic and benthic environments.

2010-151 Change the ENGL Major: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

English

To satisfy the English major, the student must present for the degree thirty credits of English courses numbered 2000 or above and including the following:

A. Introduction to Literary Studies (3 credits) **ENGL 2600**. This course should be taken within a semester of declaring the major or at its next offering.

B. Literary History (9 credits): One course from group 1, one course from group 2, and a third course from group 1, 2, or 3:

1) Survey and period courses before 1800: 2100, 3111, 3113, 3115, 3805W, 3807W

2) Survey and period courses after 1800: 2101, 2201, 2203, 2301, 3117, 3118, 3119, 3801W, 3803W, 3809W, 3811W.

3) Multi-period, multicultural, and ethnic literature courses: 2274W, 3120, 3122, 3210, 3212, 3214, 3216W, 3218, 3320, 3605, 3607, 3629.

C. Methods (6 credits). One course from group 1 and a second course from group 1 or 2:

1) 2401, 2405, 2407, 2408, 2409, 2411, 3235W, 3240, 3265W, 3318, 3403, 3420, 3422, 3601, 3603, 3609, 3613, 3617, 3619, 3621, 3623, 3625, 3631, 3633/W, 3650, 3651

2) 3003W, 3010W, 3701, 3703, 3705, 3707, 3709, 3711.

D. Major Author (3 credits). One course from the following: 3501, 3503, 3505, 3507, 3509

E. Advanced Study (3 credits). One from the following: 4101W, 4201W, 4203W, 4301W, 4302W, 4401W, 4405W, 4407W, 4600W, 4601W, 4613W, 4965W. These courses also satisfy the departmental requirements for Writing in the Major and Information Literacy

F. Additional courses (6 credits). In addition to courses used to satisfy requirements A-E above, six credits must be chosen from English courses numbered 2000 or above. Course numbers used to satisfy requirements A-E may be used toward satisfaction of requirement F only when they designate a second or third section of a course repeated for credit with a change of topic.

Distribution Requirements:

1) At least two courses must concern literature written before 1800. Courses satisfying this requirement are 2100, 3111, 3113, 3115, 3301, 3495, 3501, 3503, 3505, 3507, 3805W, 3807W, 4695W

2) At least one course must concern ethnic or postcolonial literatures in English. Courses satisfying this requirement are 2301, 3120, 3122, 3210, 3212, 3214, 3216W, 3218, 3318, 3320, 3605, 3607, 3629, 4203W, 4301W, 4302W

3) No more than three credits from the following courses may count toward the English major: 3003W, 3010W, 3011, 3011W, 3012, 3013, 3091, 3692, 3701, 3703, 3705, 3707, 3709, 3711, 3713.

Concentration in Irish Literature. English majors may choose to pursue a concentration in Irish Literature. Within the requirements for all English majors, these students will select four courses in Irish literature approved by their advisors in Irish literature and by the Irish Literature Coordinator

Study Abroad in London : The Department of English sponsors programs in London occurring on an as-offered basis. These include the UConn Summer in London program and ENGL 3193, a spring course that includes a trip to London during the winter break. A minor in English is described in the Minors section.

2010-152 Cross-List (existing) POLS 3834 with PRLS 3271 and its W variant: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

PRLS 3271/POLS 3834. Immigration and Transborder Politics.

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: Open to juniors or higher.

U.S. immigration policy, trans-border politics, and the impact diasporas and ethnic lobbies have on U.S. foreign policy, with emphasis on Latino diasporas.

PRLS 3271W/POLS 3834W. Immigration and Transborder Politics.

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisites: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800; open to juniors or higher.

2010-153 Add and Cross-list POLS 3667/PRLS 3667 and W variant: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

POLS 3667/PRLS 3667. Puerto Rican Politics and Culture.

Either semester. Three credits.

Legal and political history of the relationship between Puerto Rico and the United States with an emphasis on the question of United States empire and the politics of cultural resistance.

POLS 3667W/PRLS 3667W. Puerto Rican Politics and Culture.

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.

2010-154 Offer Blended Version of existing PSYC 3201: Approved unanimously

2010-155 Add CAMS 53XX: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

CAMS 53XX. Special Topics in Ancient Greek.

Either semester. Three credits. Lecture. Open to graduate students in MCL, JUDS and Medieval Studies, others with permission. May be repeated for credit with a change in topic.

Reading of Ancient Greek texts in the original.

2010-156 Change WS 4994W: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

4994W. Senior Seminar

(289W) Second semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800.

Recommended preparation: WS 3265W and PHIL 3218 or instructor consent. For majors only. Capstone course integrating and analyzing feminist, gender, and queer theory and substance through research on a common topic and discussion of advanced texts.

2010-157 Change WS 3265W: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

WS 3265W Research Methodology

(265W) First semester. Three credits. Prerequisites: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 3800; WS 1103 or WS 1104 or WS 1134 or HIST 1203; open only to majors. Majors are strongly urged to take this course as early as possible and before PHIL 3218.

Analyses of gender bias in research design and practice, problems of androcentric values, and over-generalization in research. Varieties of feminist research methods and their implications for traditional disciplines. Student projects using different methodologies.

2010-158 Change WS 3891: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

WS 3891. Internship Program

(261) Either semester. Three to nine credits. Hours by arrangement. Prerequisite: One Women's, Gender, and Sexualities Studies course. To be taken concurrently with WS 3894. Open only with consent of Internship coordinator. Transfer students who wish to major in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies are not required to take Internship Program. A field placement 9-18 hours per week in an organization related to the student's major field of study. Such work is overseen by the field work supervisor and the Internship Coordinator.

2010-159 Change WS 3894: Approved unanimously

Final catalog copy:

WS 3894. Internship Seminar

(262) Either semester. Three credits. Open only with consent of Internship Coordinator. A weekly seminar on women and work in which students integrate their field experience with readings, class discussion, and guest lectures.

2010-160 Drop WS 1103: Approved unanimously

The Committee adjourned at 5:00pm.

Submitted by Margaret Breen, Secretary *pro tem*.