

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Committee on Curricula and Courses, Approved¹ Minutes of February 14th, 2012

Chair: Robert G. Michel (CHEM). **Members present:** Eldridge Adams (EEB), Margaret Breen (ENGL and WGSS), Robert Cromley (GEOG), Ken Dautrich (PUBL), Micki McElya (HIST), Jane Goldman (HDFS), Lynn Kuo (STAT), Letitia Naigles (COGS and PSYC), Ken Noll (MCB), Richard Rockwell (SOCI), Ralf Schiffler (MATH), Kathy Segerson (ECON), Matt Singer (POLLS), Merrill Singer (ANTH), Roger Travis (LCL), Bob Wyss (JOUR)

Visitors: Sydney Plum (ENGL)

CLAS Dean's office: Davita Silfen Glasberg, Katrina Higgins, Mansour Ndiaye

Preliminaries

Chair called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM

Eldridge Adams selected as Secretary *pro tem*

Minutes of meeting of December 13, 2011 - accepted by email ballot January 10, 2012

Proposals approved by the Chair before the meeting:

Reinstatement of FREN 3272 to French Minor section C: French Literary Studies. A typographical error resulted in this course being omitted from the description of the French minor in the 2010/2011 catalog. The registrar has corrected the error after consultation with the chair of this committee and the department.

Proposals for reconsideration

2011-162 Change ECON Major description approved unanimously

Approved catalog copy for the description of the major:

Economics

A student majoring in economics should acquire a thorough grounding in basic principles and methods of analysis, plus a working competence in several of the specialized and applied fields. Examples of such fields are industrial organization, law and economics, money and banking, international trade and finance, public finance, labor economics, health economics, urban and regional economics, and economic development.

Economics majors must earn twenty-four credits in courses at the 2000-level or above, including two intermediate theory courses (ECON 2201 and 2202), plus at least nine credits in either quantitative skills courses (ECON 2301-2328) and/or courses at the 3000-level or above. No more than 6 credits in ECON 2499 and/or 3499 may be counted toward the required 24 credits in economics courses at the 2000-level or above. ECON 2481 does not count toward fulfilling the major requirements.

Economics majors are also required to pass twelve credits in 2000-level or above courses in fields related to economics or to fulfill a minor related to economics. In addition, all Economics majors must take STAT 1000Q or 1100Q and one of the following: MATH 1071Q, 1110Q, 1121Q, 1126Q, 1131Q, 1151Q or 2141Q. MATH 1121Q or higher is recommended, and Stat 1100Q is recommended over STAT 1000Q. Students may substitute more advanced MATH and STAT courses with consent of the faculty advisor.

¹ Approved March 20th, 2012

The intermediate theory courses (ECON 2201 and 2202) should be taken early in the student's major program. Recommended courses for economics majors include ECON 2311 and ENGL 3003W. The department has special requirements for economic majors in the University Honors Program and for majors who qualify for the department's Economics Scholars and Quantitative Certificate Programs.

Course work in economics serves a wide variety of vocational objectives. An economics major (supplemented by a rigorous calculus and statistics course sequence) is excellent preparation for graduate work in economics, which qualifies a person for academic, business, or government employment. Majors and others with strong economics training are attractive prospects for business firms and government agencies, and for professional graduate study in business or public policy. An economics background is especially desirable for the study and practice of law.

Economics majors satisfy the computer technology competency by passing either STAT 1000Q or 1100Q in addition to meeting the University-wide computer entrance expectations.

Economics majors satisfy the information literacy competency by passing at least one W course in Economics. Students may gain enhanced competence in information literacy by taking ECON 2311, 2312W, ECON 2326, or 2327.

Economics majors satisfy the writing in the major requirement by passing at least one W course in Economics. A minor in Economics is described in the "Minors" section.

New Proposals for Consideration

2012-001 Change ANTH/HRTS 3028 (add W) approved unanimously

Approved catalog copy:

3028W. Indigenous Rights and Aboriginal Australia

(228) (Also offered as HRTS 3028W.) Three credits. Recommended preparation: ANTH 2000.

An introduction to the study and understanding of Aboriginal ways of life and thought. An exploration of the complexity of contemporary indigenous social orders and land rights issues. CA 4-INT

2012-001b Add new graduate course ANTH 53XY

Two votes were taken:

(1) The new course ANTH 53XY was approved unanimously

(2) The committee voted unanimously to drop ANTH 5390 (Cultural Rights), which is to be replaced by the new course ANTH 53XY.

Approved catalog copy:

ANTH 53XY Human Rights in a Diverse World

3 credits. Seminar.

Basic issues, methods and theories in the anthropological study of human rights; cultural relativism, the international human rights system, social movements, transnational activist networks, media and representation are studied in their relationship to rights claims, adjudication, and outcomes.

2012-002 Change COGS Major: Add COGS 3584 (required) approved unanimously

Approved catalog description of the major (relevant paragraphs only):

General Requirements

The requirements for the cognitive science major include 40 2000-level and above credits, no more than 21 of which may be taken in any one department. There are several 1000-level

courses that are required preparation for the 2000-level and above requirements. These courses should be taken during the first four semesters and may fulfill general education requirements.

Core Courses (16 credits)

COGS 2201, COGS 3584, and four of the following courses: ANTH 3002; CSE 4705; LING 2010Q; PHIL 3250; PSYC 2501

7. Effective Date: Fall 2012 or immediately

2012-003 Change course description ENGL 3120 approved unanimously

Approved catalog copy:

ENGL 3120: Irish literature in English to 1939

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 2011 or 3800. Open to juniors or higher. Fiction, drama, and poetry, including early Irish legends and sagas (in translation); such writers as Swift, Shaw, Wilde, Yeats, Gregory, Synge, Joyce, and Bowen. CA 4-INT.

2012-004 Change course description ENGL 3122 approved unanimously

Approved catalog copy:

ENGL 3122: Irish literature in English since 1939

Either semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: ENGL 1010 or 1011 or 2011 or 3800. Open to juniors or higher. Fiction, drama, and poetry by such writers as Beckett, O'Brien, Friel, Heaney, Doyle, Carr, McCabe, Tóibín, and McDonagh. CA 4-INT.

2012-005 Add new Course ENGL 3124 and W variant. British Literature since the Mid-Twentieth Century. Postponed at the request of the Department of English. A modified proposal will be presented at a later meeting.

2012-006 Add new Course ENGL 3123 and W variant. Modern British Literature: 1890 to the Mid-Twentieth Century.

Postponed at the request of the Department of English. A modified proposal will be presented at a later meeting.

2012-007 Add new graduate course SOCI 6XXX. Multilevel Modeling of Longitudinal Data. A motion to postpone passed with 1 vote against and 1 abstention, to allow consultation with other departments in the social sciences and Statistics.

2012-008 Add new graduate course SOCI 5701 approved unanimously

Approved catalog copy:

SOCI 5701. Urban Sociology

3 credits. Seminar. Consent of Instructor Required. A survey of topics in urban sociology. Examines both classical and contemporary perspectives on the social organization of cities including urbanization, suburbanization, spatial characteristics of cities, residential segregation, immigration, poverty and wealth, and urban-based social problems.

2012-009 Change prerequisites ECON 2201

Passed unanimously as amended (by addition of ECON 2141Q to the list of courses satisfying the math prerequisite).

Approved catalog copy:

ECON 2201. Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

(218) Three credits. Prerequisite: ECON 1200 or 1201 and one of MATH 1071Q, 1110Q, 1120Q, 1125Q, 1131Q, 1151Q, or 2141Q. Recommended preparation: ECON 1202.

Intermediate microeconomic theory, covering demand and supply, exchange and production, pricing, and welfare economics.

2012-010 Add new course EVST 4XXX Environmental Studies Capstone

Discussion of the proposal was not completed and will continue at the next meeting.

2012-011 Add new course EVST 1000 Intro. to Environmental Studies

Discussion of the proposal was not completed and will continue at the next meeting. An amended proposed catalog copy was generated for further discussion:

EVST 1000 (proposed). Introduction to Environmental Studies

Either semester. Three credits.

Survey of human-nature interrelationship through interdisciplinary environmental themes and study of specific environmental issues. Survey of human-nature interrelationship through interdisciplinary environmental themes and study of specific environmental issues. Uses texts and contexts of environmental writings as models for contemporary issues. Encourages students to ask: What is the environment? How do I gain knowledge of the environment? ~~How am I impacted by and impact the environment?~~ What is the environment's impact on me; mine on the environment? Why should I care about the environment? Field trips required.

2012-012 Add new Major: Environmental Studies

A motion of support, with enthusiasm, for the environmental studies program passed unanimously.

Discussion of the proposal was not completed and will continue at the next meeting. An amendment was made to both the proposed catalog description of the major and the plan of study. Specifically, the phrase "for students seeking more advance biology background" was added prior to "BIOL 1108."

Relevant section of the proposed Description of the Major:

Introductory Courses

All majors must take three introductory courses:

- EVST 1XXX. Introduction to Environmental Studies
- NRE 1000/1xxx. Environmental Science or GEOG 2300. Introduction to Physical Geography or GSCI 1050. Earth and Life Through Time with Lab or GSCI 1051. Earth and Life Through Time
- BIOL 1102. Foundations of Biology or, for students seeking more advanced biology background, BIOL 1108. Principles of Biology II

Relevant section of the proposed Environmental Studies PLAN OF STUDY

To satisfy the Environmental Studies major, the student must complete four required courses:

- EVST 1XXX. Introduction to Environmental Studies (new course)
- NRE 1000/1xxx. Environmental Science/ with lab (CA-3/ CA 3-Lab) or GEOG 2300. Introduction to Physical Geography (CA-3) or GSCI 1050 or 1051. Earth and Life through Time (CA-3 Lab/CA-3)
- BIOL 1102. Foundations of Biology (CA 3-Lab) or [for students seeking more advanced biology background.](#)
- BIOL 1108. Principles of Biology II (CA 3-Lab)
- EVST 4XXXW. Environmental Studies Capstone Seminar

Preliminary Proposals for consultation

IMJR proposals:

The following proposals were not discussed due to lack of time.

2012-013 IMJR Honors Thesis

2012-014 IMJR Gateway course

2012-015 IMJR Change in Major description

Study Abroad proposal (via Dean's office)

The dean's office, Katrina Higgins and Davita Silfen Glasburg, has suggested that all departments should have a course 1193, Foreign Study with a course description similar to that in the attached materials. No formal request has been made by the "Study Abroad" program, nor has an official proposal been submitted by the Dean's office at this time.

2012-016 Study Abroad 1193

Not discussed due to lack of time.

Reports of committees – none

Old business:

- Due to continuing senate C&C discussions, proposals 2011-78 through 2011-99 not implemented in the new catalog. (Oct. 25th, 2011 minutes)
- Report of CLAS representative to UICC not made due to lack of time.

New business – none

Adjourned at 5:30 PM until March 20th at the same time and place.

Respectfully submitted:

Eldridge Adams, secretary *pro tem*.