## Winthrop University <br> Academic Council

February 9, 2018
2 PM
MacFeat Conference Room B
I. Approval of minutes from last meeting (circulated by e-mail by Gina Jones; please vote on them by Feb. 1)
II. Chair's Remarks (Jo Koster)
III. Remarks from the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs (Debra Boyd)
IV. Remarks from the President of the Council of Student Leaders (CSL): Tadean Page
V. Report from Standing Committees
a. Committee on University Curriculum (Will Thacker)

The following Proposals for Program Change (Degree) were passed, require Academic Council Approval, and can be found on the Curriculum Action System:

| Program | Department | Action |
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| BA-SOCL | Sociology and <br> Anthropology | Modify program: Add SOCL 298 to major requirements; <br> Offer SOCL 519 as an alternative to SOCL 516; Note that <br> SOCL 519 must be completed with a C or better and cannot <br> be taken S/U. |
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| BA-SOCL- <br> ANTH | Sociology and Anthropology | Modify program: Add SOCL 298 to major requirements; Offer SOCL 519 as an alternative to SOCL 516; Note that SOCL 519 must be completed with a C or better and cannot be taken S/U. |
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| BA-SOCL- <br> CRIM | Sociology and Anthropology | Modify program: Add SOCL 298 to major requirements; Offer SOCL 519 as an alternative to SOCL 516; Note that SOCL 519 must be completed with a C or better and cannot be taken S/U. |
| BS-BIOL- <br> BMRS | Biology | Modify program: Limit MATH requirements in major to MATH 101, 105, 141, 150, 151, 201, 341, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite; Change CHEM courses that meet the science requirement in major from CHEM (except 101, 104, 461, 462, or 463) to CHEM (any course above 199 except 461, 462, or 463). |
| BS-BIOL- MTEC | Biology | Modify program: Limit quantitative skills and MATH requirement in major to MATH 101, 105, 141, 150, 151, 201, 341, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite. |
| BS-DIFD- <br> DMMD | Computer Science and Quantitative Methods | Modify program: Remove MCOM 342 from concentration and replace with either MCOM 325 or 330; Under Choose 2..., remove MCOM 325 and add MCOM 360. |
| BS-DIFD- <br> INMD | Computer Science and Quantitative Methods | Modify program: In concentration, replace CSCI 241 \& CSCI 242 with CSCI 207 \& CSCI 243. |
| BS-DIFD- <br> WEBD | Computer Science and Quantitative Methods | Modify program: In concentration, replace CSCI 241 \& CSCI 242 with CSCI 207 \& CSCI 243, add CSCI 208 \& CSCI 390 as requirements. |
| BS-HDFS | Counseling, Leadership \& Educational Studies | Modify program: Change HDFS from 1 to 3 credit hours. |
| BS-NUTR- CDPV | Human Nutrition | New Program |


| BS-NUTR- <br> DIET | Human Nutrition | Modify program: Update dietetic verification requirement to <br> 3.2 GPA in major and 3.0 overall GPA; Note that MATH 151 <br> is highly recommended under Quantitative Skills; Remove <br> NUTR 518 from major. Other changes pending. |
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| BS-SPED- <br> SPED | Counseling, Leadership <br> \& Educational Studies | Modify program: In major, remove MATH 393 from Content <br> Requirements and SPED 515 from Education |
| BS-SPMA | Physical Education, <br> Sport and Human <br> Performance | Modify program: Edit admissions criteria and add graduation <br> criteria (2.5 GPA and completion of SPMA 494/496). |

The following Proposals for Program Change (Minor/Certificate) were approved, require Academic Council Approval and can be found on the Curriculum Action System:

| Program | Department | Action |
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| Minor-CAPE | Interdisciplinary <br> Studies | Modify program: Remove ENVS 470 and add <br> HIST/PEAC 570 under the Experiential component; <br> Under electives, clarify that courses above can satisfy <br> electives and remove requirement of two designators. |
| Certificate- <br> CAPE | Interdisciplinary <br> Studies | Modify program: Allow 8 elective credits from either <br> experiential or additional elective lists; Remove ENVS <br> 470 and add HIST/PEAC 570 under the Experiential <br> component; Under electives, remove requirement of <br> two designators. |
| Minor-CMST | Mass Communication | New minor |
| Minor-EDUC | Curriculum and <br> Pedagogy | Modify program: Change to 15 credits; Remove <br> EDUC 220 from Core; Change electives to 1-3 credits; <br> Remove EDUC/HIS 312 and EDUC 315 from <br> electives; Add EDUC 594 and 595 to electives. |


| Minor-FINP | Accounting, Finance, <br> \& Economics | New minor |
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| Minor-HDFS | Counseling, <br>  <br> Educational Studies | Modify program: Change to 18 credits; Change <br> credits for HDFS 101 to 3; Remove HDFS 501. |
| Minor-HLTH | Physical Education, <br> Sport and Human <br> Performance | Modify program: Add BIOL 213/214 as an option <br> under electives. |
| Minor-HUMA | Interdisciplinary <br> Studies | Modify program: Remove reference to GERM major; <br> Change wording to clarify that FREN and SPAN are <br> concentrations, not majors; Add FREN 385 and 395, <br> GERM 280, and SPAN 385 and 395 as options; <br> Remove ENGL 303. |
| Minor-LGST | Interdisciplinary <br> Studies | Modify program: Add ACCT 351 (number changed <br> to 551 last fall)under electives. |
| Minor-SPLH | World Languages and <br> Cultures | New minor |

The following program change requests had issues currently being addressed. (may be brought up if addressed before the Academic Council meeting).

| BA- <br> ENGL | English | Modify program: Add WRIT 503 as a <br> Frameworks option; Add WRIT 310 as an <br> option under Strategic, Creative, and Critical <br> Communication; Add ENGL 470 to Critical <br> Reading and Research; Add note that no more <br> than 8 hours internship credit can be applied to <br> the major; Add note regarding BA-MA pgrm. | Disconnect between ENGL 291 <br> exemption procedure on the <br> course update and the update of <br> the major |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { BS- } \\ & \text { BIOL } \end{aligned}$ | Biology | Modify program: Limit quantitative skills and MATH requirements in major to MATH 101, $105,141,150,151,201,341$, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite; Change CHEM courses that meet the science requirement in major from CHEM (except $101,104,461,462$, or 463 ) to CHEM (any course above 199 except 461, 462, or 463). | Added a restriction to the General Education Quantitative Skills requirement. This results in 3 proscriptions in the Gen. Ed. program without accreditation justification |
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| BS- <br> BIOL- <br> CNSV | Biology | Modify program: Limit quantitative skills and MATH requirements in major to MATH 101, $105,141,150,151,201,341$, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite; Change CHEM courses that meet the science requirement in major from CHEM (except $101,104,461,462$, or 463 ) to CHEM (any course above 199 except 461, 462, or 463). | See above |
| BS- <br> BIOL- <br> CSST | Biology | Modify program: Limit quantitative skills requirement to MATH 101, 105, 141, 150, 151, 201, 341, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite; Change MATH requirement in major to "MATH 101, 105, $141,150,150,201,341$, or any MATH course with 201 as the pre-requisite (the MATH course used to satisfy the Quantitative Skills Area may not be counted here)., Must be MATH 141 if MATH 150 not taken." | See above |


| Minor <br> -FILM | Mass <br> Commun- <br> ication | New minor | Concern that there was <br> insufficient justification for <br> creating a new minor and 4 new <br> supporting courses solely for the <br> minor |
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NOTE: We will be enforcing the $500 / 600$ level guideline ( 500 -level for graduate or undergraduate, 600 -level for graduate students only). If you are making a change to an old course or adding a new course that does not fit this model, you must have a reason for an exemption (saying this is the way it always has been is not a reason to perpetuate error).
b. General Education Committee (Kristin Abernathy)

1. Recertifications

The following courses were approved for recertification in the appropriate categories:
GLOBAL
HIST 111
HIST 112
HIST 113
HISTORICAL
HIST 111
HIST 112
HIST 113

HUM/ARTS
DANA 101
HIST 111
HIST 112
HIST 113
THRA 120

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
DANA 101

The committee has requested additional information for the following course, and it is not yet approved at this time: SOCIAL SCIENCE
PSYC 101
2.First Certify

The following courses were approved for inclusion:
SOCIAL SCIENCE
MCOM 495
PLSC 314

The committee has requested additional information for the following course, and it is not yet approved at this time: HUM/ARTS
RELG 300
VI. Old Business

At this time there is no old business.
VII. New Business

1. Consideration of revising the official attendance policy to deal with the delivery of online courses (2017-2018 Undergraduate Catalog, p. 8). This concern was forwarded to Academic Council by the Faculty Committee on University Priorities.

## Class Attendance Policies

Students are expected to attend classes and should understand that they are responsible for the academic consequences of absence. The student is responsible for all requirements of the course regardless of absences. Instructors are obligated to
provide makeup opportunities only for students who are absent with adequate cause such as incapacitating illness, death of an immediate family member, or authorized representation of the university. The instructor will be responsible for judging the adequacy of cause for absence. The student is responsible for providing documentation certifying the legitimacy of the absence to his or her instructor in advance of such absences. In health-related or family emergency cases where advance notice is not possible, documentation should be provided to the instructor no later than the date the student returns to class. If the instructor denies the adequacy of cause, then the student can appeal the denial to the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, who will judge the adequacy of cause, and if found to be adequate, will require the instructor to provide a make-up opportunity.

The instructor may establish the attendance requirements for the course. The following policy will be in effect unless the instructor specifies otherwise: if a student's absences in a course total 25 percent or more of the class meetings for the course, the student will receive a grade of $N$ if the student withdraws from the course before the withdrawal deadline; after that date, unless warranted by documented extenuating circumstances as described in the previous section, a grade of $F$ or $U$ shall be assigned.
2. Bachelor of Professional Studies Implementation Committee: Overview of the Curriculum for the Proposed Degree (Informational Presentation)-Members of the Committee
VIII. Adjournment; next meeting is Friday April 6, 2018, 2 PM, in Macfeat Conference Room B.

