

WINTHROP UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC COUNCIL MINUTES
January 14, 2005

Academic Council met on Friday, January 14, 2005 at 2:00 pm in 308 Tillman Hall.

Members:

Frank Pullano, Chair	Mathematics
Pat Ballard	Library
John Bird	English
Shaun Cassidy	Art & Design
Clarence Coleman	Accounting
Jennifer Disney	Political Science
Ray Dockery*	Education
Barbara Heinemann	Modern Languages
Jo Koster	English
Paul Martyka*	Art & Design
Christine Maxwell	Education

Sue Peck	Education
David Pretty	History
Mesgun Sebhatu	Physics
William Seyfried	Economics
Will Thacker	Computer Science
Bruce Thompson	Music
Richard Fowler	Student
Timothy Druke	Records/Regis.

* Absent

Guests present: Adolphus Belk, Debra Boyd, Mark Herring, Karen Jones, Tom Moore, and Margaret Williamson

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Chair Pullano.

I. Minutes

The minutes from the November 5, 2004 meeting were approved via email.

II. Chair's Remarks

Chair Pullano wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed the Council back to another semester.

III. Vice President of Academic Affairs' remarks

Vice President Moore had no remarks.

IV Committee Reports

A. Committee on Undergraduate Instruction

Jo Koster presented the items from the January 6, 2005 CUI meeting.

Dr. Koster first explained the reasons for the large number of new cross-listings in the CUI minutes. The College of Arts and Sciences wished to address two concerns: first, to see a coherent grouping of courses that meet the minor, and second, to allow students to take courses toward the minor without affecting the major.

The following items were presented to the Council for approval:

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

African American Studies Committee

Modify Minor in African American Studies add requirement to minor in AAMS to state “student minoring in AAMS must complete 3 hours from ARTH 281, ARTH 381, ANTH 323, GEOG 303, HIST 337 or PLSC 338 (modify minor).

Modify Minor in African American Studies replacing PLSC 318 (3) Political of the American South with PLSC 518 (3) Politics of the American South in list of electives for minor in AAMS (due to course renumbering).

Modify minor in AAMS to replace ENGL 518 (3) African American Literature with ENGL 318 (3) African American Literature in the list of required courses for the minor (modify minor due to renumbering).

The Council approved the changes to the African American Studies minor unanimously.

Department of Biology

Modify BS Biology to add BIOL 560 (3) Bioinformatics in elective courses in Area D: Cell and Molecular Biology (modify major).

The Council approved the change to the Biology major unanimously.

Department of English

Modify minor in Writing **from** “Students completing the writing minor may emphasize either creative writing or professional writing. Students choosing the creative emphasis must complete 18 hours from WRIT 307, 316, 350, 351, 507 516, 530 = 12-15 hours and WRIT 300, 500, ENGL 510 = 3-6 hours. Students choosing the professional emphasis must complete 18 hours from WRIT 300, 350, 351, 465, 566, MCOM 341, 370 = 12 to 15 hours and WRIT 3-7, 316, 500, ENGL 303” **to** “Students completing the writing minor may emphasize either creative writing or professional writing. They must complete 18 hours from: Writing Core for either emphasis: WRIT 300, 350, 351, 500, 501, ENGL 303, 507 = 6 to 9 hours; Creative Emphasis: WRIT 307, 316, 507, 516, 530 = 6 to 9 hours and ENGL 317, 325, 501 or 502; or ENGL 310, 320, or 510 if done on an appropriate topic (department chair permission required) = 0 to 6 hours; Professional Emphasis: WRIT 465, MCOM 241, 302, 340, 341,

370, 471, BADM 180, MGMT 355, 511, IMCO 105 = 9 to 12 hours”
(modify minor).

Modify BA in English, certification as secondary school teacher **from** “ENGL 300*, 302*, 303*” **to** “ENGL 300*, 303*, 507*” in the Requirements in major (modify program).

Modify BA in English, Literature and Language Track **from** “ENGL 302 or ENGL 303” **to** ENGL 507 or ENGL 303 in the Requirements in major (modify program).

Modify BA in English, Writing Track from ENGL 302 to ENGL 507 in the Elements of Writing: Rhetoric, Language and Audience electives (modify program).

The Council approved the change to the Writing minor and English majors unanimously.

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Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Modify Bachelor of Science in Middle Level Education. Incorporate new general education requirements and reconfigure content pairings

The Council approved the change to the Middle Level Education major unanimously.

Department of Health and Physical Education

Modify Bachelor of Science in Physical Education – concentration in Fitness/Wellness. Add courses as possible selection in the 8 – 9 hour credit requirement.

The Council approved the change to the Physical Education major unanimously.

The following item was reviewed at the October 25, 2004 CUI meeting but was inadvertently omitted from approval at the November Academic Council Meeting

RICHARD W. RILEY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Center for Pedagogy

Modify Teacher Education Program Completion requirements: Delete “Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) from requirement 3 and reference to “EDUC490 faculty member” in requirement 5.

The Council approved the change to the Teacher Education Program Completion requirements unanimously.

Items approved by CUI – No Academic Council action required

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

African American Studies Committee

Add AAMS 303 (3) Geography of Africa (new course).

Crosslist GEOG 303 (3) Geography of Africa with AAMS 303 (3) Geography of Africa.

Add AAMS 308 (3) American Ethnic History (new course).

Crosslist HIST 308 (3) American Ethnic History with AAMS 308 (3) American Ethnic History.

Add AAMS 314 (3) Race and Ethnic Relations (new course).

Crosslist SOCL 314 (3) Race and Ethnic Relations with AAMS 314 (3) Race and Ethnic Relations.

Add AAMS 315 (3) Urban Politics (new course).

Crosslist PLSC 315 (3) Urban Politics with AAMS 315 (3) Urban Politics.

Add AAMS 317 (3) African American Politics (new course).

Crosslist PLSC 317 (3) African American Politics with AAMS 317 (3) African American Politics.

Add AAMS 318 (3) African American Literature

Crosslist ENGL318 (3) African American Literature with AAMS318 (3) African American Literature

Add AAMS 323 (3) Cultures of Africa (new course).

Crosslist ANTH 323 (3) Cultures of Africa with AAMS 323 (3) Cultures of Africa.

Add AAMS 337 (3) History of Sub-Saharan Africa (new course).

Crosslist HIST 337 (3) History of Sub-Saharan Africa with AAMS 337 (3) History of Sub-Saharan Africa.

Add AAMS 338 (3) Government and Politics of Africa (new course).

Crosslist PLSC 338 (3) Government and Politics of Africa with AAMS 338 (3) Government and Politics of Africa.

Add AAMS 509 (3) African American History (new course).

Crosslist HIST 509 (3) African American History with AAMS 509 (3) African American History.

Add AAMS 518 (3) Politics of the American South (new course).

Crosslist PLSC 518 (3) Politics of the American South with AAMS 518 (3) Politics of the American South.

Add AAMS 551 (3) African American Political Thought (new course).

Crosslist PLSC 551 (3) African American Political Thought with AAMS 551 (3) African American Political Thought.

Add AAMS 561 (3) The History of the Caribbean (new course).

Crosslist HIST 561 (3) The History of the Caribbean with AAMS 561 (3) The History of the Caribbean.

Department of Biology

Change BIOL 205 (3) General Botany from “Prerequisite: BIOL 204” to “Prerequisite BIOL 150/151 or BIOL 204” (prerequisite change).

Change BIOL 206 (3) General Zoology from “Prerequisite: BIOL 204” to Prerequisite BIOL 150/151 or BIOL 204” (change prerequisite).

Add SCIE 224 (3) Plant Anatomy and Illustration (new course).

Add BIOL 560 (3) Bioinformatics (new course).

Department of English

Drop ENGL 302 (3) Development of Modern English (drop course).

Add ENGL 507 (3) History and Development of Modern English (new course).

Add ENGL 318 (3) African American Literature (add course due to renumbering).

Drop ENGL 518 (3) African American Literature (drop course due to renumbering).

Department of Mathematics

Drop MATH 291 (3) Mathematics for Prospective Elementary Teachers: Grade 1-8 (rename course).

Add MATH 291 (3) Basic Number Concepts for Teachers (rename course).

Drop MATH 292 (3) Geometry for the Prospective Elementary Teacher (rename course).

Add MATH 292 (3) Number, Measurement and Geometry Concepts for Teachers (rename course).

Add MATH 393 (3) Algebra, Data Analysis, and Geometry Concepts for Teachers (new course).

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Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Add SPED 510 (3), Behavior Analysis and Behavior change

COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Department of Art and Design

Change ARTH477 (3), Women in Art. Add crosslisting to WMST477 (3) Women in Art

B. General Education

Bill Seyfried presented one item from the General Education committee. The Department of Art and Design requested that ARTS281 be removed from the list of

courses in the Humanities and Arts. The course will continue to meet the Technology requirement. The Council approved the request unanimously.

V. Old Business

Cultural Events

The Council proceeded to review the latest draft of the Cultural Event guidelines submitted by the Cultural Events committee. The Council made numerous changes to the draft document during a section-by-section review of Part I. John Bird and Pat Ballard volunteered to review parts II and III to correct problems with the grammar in those sections.

VI. New Business

Cultural Events

It was moved and seconded to redefine a cultural event. The new definition: An approved cultural event is one chosen from areas such as plays, films, art exhibitions and dance and musical performances or from lectures of general appeal. The next sentence (Lectures that are included on the cultural events calendar are selected on the basis of the speaker's reputation and ability to generate new ideas and discussion on topics of universal significance) is removed from the definition.

After brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Bachelor of Arts 36-hour rule

Will Thacker asked if the Council would like to visit the relevance of the 36-hour cap on courses with the major designator for students earning a Bachelor of Arts degree. Karen Jones was asked to research what our peer institutions are doing in this regard. She will report back to the council at a future meeting.

VII. Announcements

Chair Pullano announced that he consulted with John Robbins, chair of the Faculty Conference Rules Committee, regarding the practice of designating voting substitutes to the Council. This practice is not allowed in the By-Laws and will no longer be utilized by the Council.

The next meeting of the Council will be February 18, 2005.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27 pm.