

WINTHROP UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC COUNCIL MINUTES
 October 7, 2005

Academic Council met on Friday, October 7, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. in 308 Tillman Hall.

Members:

Frank Pullano, Chair	Mathematics
Pat Ballard	Library
John Bird	English
Siobhan Brownson*	English
Shaun Cassidy	Art & Design
Clarence Coleman	Acct, Fin and Econ
Michael Cornick	Acct, Fin and Econ
Jennifer Disney	Political Science
Chad Dresbach	Art & Design
Rebecca Evers	Center for Pedagogy
Barbara Heinemann	Modern Languages

Tom Polaski	Mathematics
David Pretty	History
Linda Schoonmaker*	Health and PE
William Seyfried	Acct, Fin and Econ
Will Thacker	Computer Science
Bruce Thompson*	Music
Willie Lyles, III	Student
Timothy Druke	Records/Registration

* Absent

Guests present: Tim Daugherty, Brien Lewis, Joe Prus, and Jeff Sinn.

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Chair Pullano.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the September 9, 2005 meeting were approved via email.

II. Chair's Remarks

The Chair had no remarks.

III. Vice President of Academic Affairs' Remarks

Vice President Moore was not in attendance.

IV. Committee Reports

A. General Education

Tom Polaski, General Education committee chair reported that the committee will be meeting on Monday, October 10, 2005. On the agenda will be a couple items that will be brought to the Council at its next meeting. This year's largest task will be to address assessment issues.

B. Committee on Undergraduate Instruction

Clarence Coleman, chair of the Committee on Undergraduate Instruction presented the following items for approval of the Council.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department of History

Modify BA in History to **drop** HIST 101 and HIST 102 and **add** "HIST 211, HIST 212, HIST 500 and select two from HIST 111, 112, 113 for requirements in the major (modify major).

Modify minor in History **from** "the minor in history consists of 18 semester hours in HIST: HIST 101, 102, 211, and 212 and at least 6 hours in courses numbered above 299" **to** "The minor in history consists of 18 semester hours in HIST: HIST 211, and 212; six hours for HIST 111, 112, and 113 and at least 6 hours in courses numbered above 299" (modify minor).

The major and minor changes from the department of History were approved by voice vote without dissent. The corresponding course changes, approved by CUI, were not questioned.

Department of History

Drop HIST 101 (3) World Civilization to 1500 (drop course).

Drop HIST 102 (3) World Civilizations since 1500 (drop course).

Add HIST 111 (3) World Civilizations to 950 (new course).

Add HIST 112 (3) World Civilizations from 950 to 1750 (new course).

Add HIST 113 (3) World Civilizations since 1750 (new course).

Add HIST 302 (3) Modern Civil Rights Movement (new course).

Add HIST 501 (3) History of Social Movements in America (new course).

Significant discussion of the Psychology changes commenced. Based on questions raised by Graduate Faculty Assembly, the course numbering changes proposed by Psychology, in particular, the new courses numbered in the 400 level were questioned. The council's discussion covered the role of Academic Council in approving graduate courses, the notion of course level numbering, and pedagogical reasons for this change. Joe Prus, Jeff Sinn, and Tim Daugherty of the Psychology department discussed the reasons for the requested changes. The three were questioned on the need for separating the undergraduate students in a 400-numbered course and the graduate students in a 500-numbered course. Several members of the council expressed their concern of the precedent this change may set and if their departments would need to do the same.

During discussion the Council agreed to separate the issues and approved the following items.

Department of Psychology

Modify minor in Psychology **from** "The minor in psychology is 20 semester hours of psychology. Psychology minors must take PSYC 101, 301 and 302" **to** "The minor in Psychology is 18 semester hours of psychology. Psychology minors must take PSYC 101 and at least 6 hours above 299" (modification of minor).

Add PSYC 206 (3) Developmental Psychology (new course).

Add PSYC 305 (3) Social Psychology: The Individual and Other People

(course renumbering – 507).

Drop PSYC 507 (3) Social Psychology: The Individual and Other People (course renumbering).

Add PSYC 308 (3) Psychology of Women (course renumbering – 504).

Drop PSYC 504 (3) Psychology of Women (course renumbering).

Add PSYC 311 (3) Ecological Psychology (new course).

Add PSYC 313 (3) Abnormal Psychology (course renumbering – 503)

Drop PSYC 503 (3) Abnormal Psychology (course renumbering).

Add PSYC 314 (3) Theories of Personality (course renumbering – 514).

Drop PSYC 514 (3) Theories of Personality (course renumbering).

Add PSYC 316 (3) Industrial and Organizational Psychology (course renumbering –516).

Drop PSYC 516 (3) Industrial and Organizational Psychology (course renumbering).

Add PSYC 335 (3) Physiological Psychology: Biological Foundations of Behavior (course renumbering – 505).

Drop PSYC 505 (3) Physiological Psychology: Biological Foundations of Behavior (course renumbering).

Drop PSYC 306 (3) Development I: Childhood.

Drop PSYC 307 (3) Development II: Adulthood.

Drop PSYC 310 (3) Career Development.

Drop PSYC 513 (3) Introduction to Theory and Fundamentals of Clinical Practice.

Change PSYC 301 (4) **from** “Research I: Statistics” **to** “Statistics” (title change).

Change PSYC 302 (4) **from** “Research II: Experimental Psychology” **to** “Research Methods in Psychology.”

Change PSYC 400 (3) History and Systems in Psychology **from** “prerequisites: PSYC 101, 310, 302” **to** “prerequisites: PSYC 101, 301, 302, junior or senior status or permission of instructor” (prerequisite change).

The remaining items from the department of Psychology were returned to the Committee on Undergraduate Instruction. The motion to refer these items back to CUI was approved without dissent.

Department of Psychology

Modify BA in Psychology **from** “PSYC 498 (3), PSYC 306 or 307 (3); PSYC 505 or 508 or 509 (3); PSYC 503 or 507 or 514 (3); PSYC 506 or 510 or 516 (3); PSYC electives(courses numbered above 299) (9); subtotal 36” **to** “PSYC 400, PSYC 463 , or PSYC 498 (3);choose 3 of 6 courses from PSYC 206, 305, 313, 335, 408 or 409 (9); PSYC electives (courses numbered above 299) 12; subtotal 36” (major modification).

Add PSYC 406 (3) Psychological Measurements (new course).

Add PSYC 408 (3) Cognitive Psychology (new course).

Add PSYC 409 (3) Learning (new course).

Add PSYC 410 (3) Behavior Analysis and Behavior Change (new course).

Add PSYC 412 (3) The Exceptional Child (new course).

Add PSYC 415 (3) Health Psychology and Behavioral Medicine (new course).

Add PSYC 420 (3) Contemporary Issues in Psychology (new course).

Change PSYC 506 (3) Psychological Measurements **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 101 or EDUC 300” **to** “Prerequisite: “Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 508 (3) Principles of Learning: Cognition **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 301 or permission of chair, Department of Psychology” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 509 (3) Principles of Learning: Conditioning **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 301 or permission of Chair, Department of Psychology” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 510 (3) Behavior Analysis and Behavior Change **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 101” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 512 (3) The Exceptional Child **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 101” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 515 (3) Health Psychology and Behavioral Medicine **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 101 and 505 or equivalent, or graduate standing in psychology or an allied profession” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

Change PSYC 520 (3) Contemporary Issues in Psychology **from** “Prerequisite: PSYC 101 or permission of instructor” **to** “Prerequisite: Graduate Student Status Only” (prerequisite change).

The remaining item from University College was not questioned and was approved.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Add ACAD 350 (3) Introduction to Peer Leadership (new course).

C. Grading Issues Committee

David Pretty, chair, reported that the committee met once and identified the major issues: the drop deadline, the plus/minus grading scale, and the N grade. The committee will meet again on Wednesday, October 12, 2005.

V. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

VI. New Business

Jennifer Disney expressed a concern from CUI as it reviewed the new course from University College. The concern was in regard to the college not having a curriculum approval process or any faculty governance structure. Brien Lewis, Dean of University College reported that the college has drafted a proposed process with faculty who teach courses through the college (ACAD101, GNED102) in the various roles.

VII. Announcements

Tim Drueke announced that advising for Spring 2006 will begin on Wednesday, October 19, 2005, with registration starting on Wednesday, November 2, 2005. He also asked the council to remind their students planning to graduate in December, that all requirements must be completed in order to participate in the Commencement ceremony.

Chair Pullano reminded the Council that the next meeting will be November 4, 2005 at 2:00 pm in Tillman 308.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy A. Drueke
Secretary