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ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
Minutes: 16 September 2011
Presiding: Sheramy Bundrick, Chair
Attending: Thomas Hallock, Rebecca Johns, Thomas Smith, Joan Eldridge (ex officio)
Guests: Jamie McHale and Susan Allen

I. New Program Proposals
   • Graduate Certificate Proposal, Infant-Family Mental Health
     Approved by unanimous vote (4 of 4). Committee noted the well
     thought-out nature of the proposal and its timeliness.
   • Pre-Proposal, MA in General Psychology
     Approved by unanimous vote (4 of 4). J. McHale was asked to make
     small changes to the language to specify ‘terminal’ master’s degree.

II. Program Revision Proposals
   • Curriculum revisions in Criminology
     Approved by unanimous vote (4 of 4), although committee members
     recommended that Criminology consider replacing the suggested cut Gordon
     Rule class with another Gordon Rule writing class.
       n.b. Dean Biafora would not approve the Gordon Rule change
           contingent upon another Gordon Rule option being
           crafted in its place.
   • Curriculum revisions for the French and Spanish Minors
     Not approved by the committee. The proposals as they were presented are
     incomplete. Questions exist about the proposed changes in pre-requisites
     for some classes, courses missing from the current undergraduate catalog, etc.
     M. Fernandes was advised to revise and resubmit for the October meeting.
   • Program changes in Geography (3 different requests)
     All three requests were approved by unanimous vote.

III. New Course Proposals
   • Beginning and Intermediate Printmaking
     Approved by unanimous vote.
   • Mandarin Chinese I and II
     Approved by unanimous vote. S. Bundrick made changes to the Chinese II
     form to clarify needed pre-requisites before submitting to the Dean for
     signature.
   • French Cinema
     Approved by unanimous vote.
   • Latin American Cinema
     Not approved by the committee. Recommendation made that syllabus be
     revised to be more equivalent to the French Cinema course in terms of rigor,
     expectations, and assignments.
   • Medical Geography
     Approved by unanimous vote.

The next meeting of APC was set for Friday 14 October at 10am.