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Undergraduate Council Meeting Minutes
18 March 2015, 2:00 p.m., Piano Man Building

Members Present: Tom Ainscough (chair, COB), Bonnie Braun (COE), Linda Crossman (Registrar), Joan Eldridge (Academic Advising), Kevin Wang (CAS), Jim Schnur (LIB)

Regrets: None

Guests: Mark Durand, Thomas Smith, David O’Neill, Michael Martínez-Colón

Meeting: Called to order at 2:00 p.m. with quorum present by Tom

Minutes: None

Announcements

General Education at USFSP. We will move forward with a soft launch of the new General Education requirements at USFSP in the summer semesters, rather than waiting for the mandatory rollout in fall 2015. We have enough GE courses that have been vetted and added to the inventory of new requirements that our students will be able to get into classes. Old and new GE requirements have been cross-walked.

Scheduling and Course Delivery. Linda reminded everyone that registration for the summer and fall semesters begins on March 23. Conversation also took place regarding the need for courses within GE or within majors, minors, and concentrations to be offered on the course schedule in a manner that students are able to progress through their academic program without undue delays. For example, if all math and English GE courses of a certain nature are offered only on the same day(s) and time(s), students will have to choose between one course or the other. Similarly, if there are certain courses offered infrequently within a degree program that conflict with one another, students will have to select one and may be placed in a difficult situation that delays graduation due to the time before the other course is offered. Joan mentioned that there was a situation that involved scheduling overlaps for course offerings in the World Languages and Cultures program that could put students at a disadvantage since three infrequently offered courses that are in demand were scheduled by faculty to take place at a time in which some class meetings for all three overlap. Scheduling decisions should take into account the needs of our students.

Old Business

Curricular Matters

1. Discussions of revisions to a proposal for a new course: Capstone Experience in ESP. Michael Martínez-Colón attended the meeting to share revisions to the Capstone course originally discussed on 21 November 2014 and tabled on 21 January 2015 due to a lack of formal paperwork. UGC members did not get revisions prior to the March meeting, and therefore the matter remains tabled.

2. Discussions of revisions related to the Honors Program. Thomas Smith attended the meeting to discuss program revisions to the Honors Program. However, UGC members did not receive any documentation from the APC prior to the March meeting, and therefore the matter is tabled.

3. Discussions of revisions related to the Global Business course proposals. At the 18 February 2015 meeting, the UGC elected to send seven course proposals back to Hemant Merchant for edits and revisions. UGC did not get revisions prior to the March meeting, and therefore the status of these proposals has not changed.
New Business

Curricular Matters

1. **Removal of Organizational Theories and Processes (LDR4164) from the Leadership Studies minor.**
   David O’Neill presented a proposed change to the Leadership Studies minor that would remove this course since a course in Business Management (with a prefix of MAN) satisfies the areas it covers.

   Following discussion, Jim MOVED that the Undergraduate Council ACCEPT the revisions to the Leadership Studies minor. Bonnie SECONDED this motion. Hearing no further discussion, the MOTION WAS APPROVED by vote of the Council.

2. **Addition of Independent Study in Leadership (LDR3950) to the undergraduate catalog and course inventory.** David O’Neill presented a proposal to add this course.

   Following discussion, Jim MOVED that the Undergraduate Council ACCEPT the proposal to add this course. Bonnie SECONDED this motion. Hearing no further discussion, the MOTION WAS APPROVED by vote of the Council.

3. **Inclusion of Independent Study in Leadership (LDR3950) as an elective in the Leadership Studies minor.** David O’Neill presented a proposal to include the course, just approved, as an elective within the Leadership Studies minor.

   Following discussion, Jim MOVED that the Undergraduate Council ACCEPT the proposal to add this course as an elective to the Leadership Studies minor. Bonnie SECONDED this motion. Hearing no further discussion, the MOTION WAS APPROVED by vote of the Council.

4. **Approval of Community Leadership Practicum (LDR3263) as part of the Leadership Studies minor.**
   David O’Neill presented a proposal to add this course.

   Following discussion, Jim MOVED that the Undergraduate Council ACCEPT the proposal to add this course. Joan SECONDED this motion. Hearing no further discussion, the MOTION WAS APPROVED by vote of the Council.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Schnur
University Librarian