

Minutes (approved November 5, 2015)
Subcommittee on Curriculum
Thursday, October 1, 2015
3:30 PM Room 251 University Center

Members Present: Michael Alewine, Secretary (ARTS to 2016), Victor Bahouth (S&BS to 2016), Melody Chuang (EDUC to 2016), Terry Johnson (SGA Secretary), Jaime Martinez, Chair (LETT to 2016), Emily Neff-Sharum (S&BS to 2017), Elizabeth Normandy (VC of AA Designee), Maria Santisteban (NS&M to 2016), Roland Stout (NS&M to 2017), Emily Tobey (LETT to 2017), Joseph Van Hassel (ARTS to 2017), Marian Wooten (EDUC to 2017)

Members Absent: Natricia Drake (Interim Registrar), Andrew Yarborough (SGA Senator)

Guests Present: Marsha Frink, Okoye Whittington, Ashley Allen

- 1. Call to Order at 3:31 pm; Introductions of Members**
- 2. Agenda Adopted by acclamation**
- 3. Minutes of September 3, 2015, approved by acclamation**

4. Proposals from the Department of Psychology (see p. 2 for proposal detail)

4.1 Course Proposal: Delete PSY 3800 Supervised Research in Psychology

4.2 Course Proposal: Revise description of PSY 3990 Directed Study

4.1 and 4.2 approved 11-0-0. Will be forwarded to chair of Academic Affairs Committee for his signature.

5. Proposal from the QEP Committee (see p. 3 for proposal detail)

5.1 Program Proposal: Add 3 courses to the Writing Intensive Program

Proposal withdrawn. QEP Committee will ask applicants to furnish electronic files that can be added to future agendas and shared with Subcommittee members in advance of the meeting.

6. Unfinished Business

6.1 Discussion: Do learning objectives/student outcomes in program descriptions count as program elements or front matter? Does revising them require this committee's approval or can it be considered an editorial revision?

Further discussion postponed until November.

6.2 Report: Chair showed Subcommittee members unpublished version of online catalog and indicated that the online catalog will undergo further proofreading and revision, with the goal of having a live online 2015-16 catalog by start of spring semester.

7. New Business: none

8. Announcements: none

9. Adjournment at 4:08 pm

4. Proposal from the Department of Psychology

4.1 Course Proposal: Delete PSY 3800: Supervised Research in Psychology

Rationale: PSY 3800 is redundant with PSY 3990 and is no longer necessary retain within the department.

Dept vote: 7 for; 0 against; 0 abstain

Affect others: No

Cross-Listing: No

Additional Resources: No

Affects Articulation Agreement: No

Affects Degree Pathway: No

Affects CAA Degree Plan: No

DELETE:

~~PSY 3800. Supervised Research in Psychology~~

~~Direct experience in the design of research studies in psychology; collection, management, and analysis of research data; and oral and written presentation of research results. Close collaboration between students and instructors. Credit, 3 semester hours. PREREQ: PSY 2080, PSY 2100, PSY 3000 (waived if not required), or instructor permission.~~

4.2 Course Proposal: Revise description of PSY 3990 to clarify that each credit hour is equal to 45 hours of work per semester.

Rationale: We are making explicit the contact hours required for this Directed study course.

Dept vote: 7 for; 0 against; 0 abstain

Affect others: No

Cross-Listing: No

Additional Resources: No

Affects Articulation Agreement: No

Affects Degree Pathway: No

Affects CAA Degree Plan: No

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

PSY 3990 Directed Study

Hours: 1-6

Prerequisites: Department Chair approval

Required: no

Revised Course description: PSY 3990. Directed Study (1-6 credits) Directed readings and/or research, leading to the preparation of a paper or research report. Exclusively for psychology majors. Amount of credit given will be agreed upon prior to registration and will depend upon the magnitude of the project chosen. **Each 1 credit hour is equal to 45 hours of work in a semester.** PREREQ: A written plan of the project should be approved by the Department Chair no later than two weeks prior to registration.

Course title: Directed Study

Code: IND

5. Proposal from the QEP Committee (see p. 3 for proposal detail)

5.1 Program Proposal: Add 3 courses to the Writing Intensive Program

SOC 1020 Introduction to Sociology—Writing Enriched

An introduction to scientific study of human society and social behavior. Credit, 3 semester hours.

Informal Writing: none

Formal Writing: 12-18 pages, 23% of course grade

- Reading reflections
- Essay exams

CRJ 2400/SOC 2400 Criminology—Writing Enriched

Historical and contemporary theories of criminal behavior are examined, with emphasis on rehabilitation logic and the application of the scientific method to the explanation of crime. Credit, 3 semester hours.

Informal Writing: none

Formal Writing: 12-18 pages, 40 of course grade

- Reading reflections
- Essay exams

CRJ 4520/SOC 4520 Women and Crime—Writing Enriched

A study of the nature and extent of women's crime, theories of female criminality, processing of women offenders through the criminal justice system, the response of police and court officials to women as victims of crime, and opportunities for women as employees in criminal justice agencies. PREREQ: SOC/CRJ 2400 or permission of instructor.

Informal Writing: 20 pages, 20% of course grade

- Reading comprehension/discussion preparation questions

Formal Writing: 10-12 pages, 30% of course grade

- Research essay