College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Agenda

Thursday, Apr. 27, 2017 from 2:30-4:00 p.m.; Scofield 307 (Dean's Conference Room)

Attendance	Member	Representation
X	Hodgen, Christie	Humanities/English
X	Horsmon, Caitlin	Humanities/Communication Studies
X	Levy, Gayle	Humanities/Foreign Languages
X	Murowchick, Jim (Secretary)	Natural Sciences/Geosciences
	Oyler, Nathan	Natural Sciences/Chemistry
X	Sega, Liana	Natural Sciences/Math
X	Osborn, Matthew	Social Sciences/History
	Tauheed, Linwood	Social Sciences/Economics
X	Torres, Theresa (Chair)	Social Sciences/Sociology
	Ex-Officio Members	**Representation**
X	Lundberg, Alicen	CAS CC Coordinator
X	Challacombe, Rosana	CAS Student Services
X	Bergman, Becky	CAS Student Services
X	Herron, John	CAS Dean's Office
X	Toivanen, Kati	CAS Dean's Office

Approval of March Minutes

Minutes approved

Political Science:

Master of Arts: Political Science (program modification) SLOs modified for MS with/without thesis, need same number of credit hours for both degrees. Motion to approve (Osborn/Levy); approved

Foreign Languages:
Languages & Literatures: International Studies (new emphasis area) Discussion of proposed new emphasis area. Should modify layout (catalog revision) to have same layout of core as other emphasis areas. Minor text changes for clarity; remove use of "Focus" in section title. Motion to approve with changes (Levy/Osborn) Approved

Discussion Items:

General Education Requirement (GER) 2.0 Task Force Update – Bergman
Gen Ed Taskforce mtg in April, further work over Summer. Cherry plan was approved; possible implementation in FS2018
Discussion of possible CAS Degree Requirements
Handout—Page 1--current campus core (top), current CAS requirements (bottom). Page 2—Cherry model (approved) for implementation in FS2018 (top), CAS requirements to be determined (bottom). Should CAS add second-tier of requirements for CAS students? Might depend on state's gen ed requirements, so CAS requirements are still a work in progress. Current state requirements match well with the Cherry model. Under discussion at state—hours of distribution across Humanities, Social Sciences, higher order thinking, etc. but might not be the same number of hours as the current Cherry model. State might also want MO constitution class.
With the revised Gen Education requirements, we came to a consensus that it is important to review the current CAS requirements and consider the possibly of dropping them. We discussed the reasons for the keeping the requirements, amending them, and the reasons for dropping them altogether and departments that feel strongly with keeping the requirements may incorporate these within their majors.

After reviewing the reasons for dropping and keeping the CAS requirements, the discussion centered on offering a poll to the entire faculty. The poll could offer three options: keep, amend, or drop the requirements or two options: keep or drop the requirements. The consensus of the group was to offer two options: keep or drop the CAS requirements. Theresa will draft a short list of reasons for keeping the requirements and Gayle agreed to write the proposal to keep the requirements. We will submit these and the request for the poll to Ken Novak, faculty chair, who will distribute the poll to the faculty in May before the end of the semester.

The discussion over CAS requirements went over the time, so the elections for chair and secretary will be completed by voting online and will be sent out once the elections are completed and we know who the new or returning committee members will be for next year.

Elections for 2017-18 Academic year
We did not have time to elect a new Chair and secretary for the CAS CC. Elections will take place electronically at the beginning of the fall semester.

CAS Curriculum Committee: http://cas.umkc.edu/faculty-staff/curriculum-committee/

CourseLeaf Approval: https://nextcatalog.umkc.edu/courseleaf/approve/?role=admin

Submitted by J B Murowchick with additional minutes provided by T Torres.