

Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

Oct. 12 from 2:15 to 4:00 pm; Scofield 307 (Dean's Conference Room)

Attendance	Member	Representation
	Cantu, Norma	Humanities/English
x	Horsmon, Caitlin	Humanities/Communications Studies
	Sheppard, Jim	Humanities/Philosophy
x	Murowchick, Jim	Natural Sciences/Geosciences
x	Osborn, Matthew	Social Sciences/History
x	Sega, Liana	Natural Sciences/Math
x	Oyler, Nathan	Natural Sciences/Chemistry
x	Lundgren, Jennifer (Chair)	Social Sciences/Psychology
x	Torres, Theresa (Secretary)	Social Sciences/Sociology
	Ex-Officio Members	Representation
x	Lundberg, Alicen	A&S CC Coordinator
x	Challacombe, Rosana	A&S Advising Office
	Bergman, Becky	A&S Advising Office
x	Toivanen, Kati	A&S Dean's Office
	Filion, Diane	A&S Dean's Office

Correction to September minutes: Minutes note the subcommittee was set up for the wrong question; the committee was set up to address the 90 hours required to be taken in CAS.

N. Oyler first, L. Sega second. All approved.

Program Proposals and Modifications

BA in Urban Journalism and Strategic Communications (new)

Peter Morello of Communication Studies presented the proposal

T. Torres first, L. Sega second. All approved.

Course Proposals and Modifications

German courses 434, 344, 481- Larson Powell

They need to be revised to fit a 50 word requirement and made less specific. Courses cross-listed with Communications Studies and History need to be submitted as revisions by the Dec. 15 deadline.

The final course description needs to be on the syllabus as well. Committee requires that the grade rubric be in the syllabus submitted.

J. Lundgren will review all of these before approving.

Motion to approve

C. Horsmon first; N. Oyler second. All approved, pending revisions.

French Courses 473 and 474--Nacer Khelouz presented.

474 requires additional modification to the course description (less specific).

Motion to approve:

N. Oyler first; J. Murowchick second; all approved pending approval of the description.

Urban Planning and Development 280--Sungyop Kim

Change: May not be taken more than once. No prerequisite.

N. Oyler; C. Horsmon second. All approved with alignment in the syllabus.

LLS 348--new, with Sociology/Anthropology 348—Miguel Carranza

Alignment of the course description with syllabus and catalog and cross-listed course was corrected and made by eliminating the last phrase.

N. Oyler first; L. Sega Second; all approved.

Political Science 365 - modification

Syllabus changed to fit the requirements.

J. Murowchick first, N. Oyler second. All approved.

Psychology 495WI--J. Lundgren

495 WI

Originally the course was repeatable; decided not to do so if it is the same class as an elective.

N. Oyler first; M. Osborn second, all approved.

90/120 credit hours in CAS requirements

C. Horsmon, N. Oyler, B. Bergman, K. Toivanen met to discuss this.

Instead of proposing a catalog change item, the subcommittee views this issue as a matter of Curriculum Committee guidance on the **interpretation** of the current catalog:

Proposal:

- All anchor courses be counted towards the 90 hour A&S requirement. (Discourse courses already count towards the 90 hour A&S requirement)

Argument:

- Most of the anchor courses are A&S courses or they are co-taught by A&S faculty (it is impossible to distinguish the classes in DARS)
- In the old A&S general education requirements we used to accept a limited number of courses from other units (CONSV. 120, CS 100 & CS 101, Biology) and to count them towards the 90 hour requirement. Including the non-A&S anchor courses would continue this interpretation.

We push students to take anchor courses during set semesters. Sometimes students have to take a non-A&S anchor due to availability/scheduling reasons. We should not penalize them for lack of availability.

Subcommittee submitted recommendations; all approved.

Catalog versus full committee modification in Courseleaf. A Lundberg

What is a catalog modification versus a program modification, and consequently should come through the committee. What does the committee think would be a major versus a minor modification?

After a period of discussion the committee had a consensus of the following:

J. Lundgren will have an email out to chairs that new course proposals and modifications or anything that changes status need to be a program modification that goes through CourseLeaf and sent through Curriculum Committee. J. Lundgren will review and anything major will come to the full committee. Otherwise J. Lundgren will simply review and check for questions or errors and approve if minor changes and the committee may see these and can review if they want. Committee members may be asked to assist J. Lundgren if the number of changes needing reviewed become overwhelming.

Electronic preview process

Next deadline is Monday, Oct. 26 for course and program proposal submissions.

Our intent is to have the committee review the courses/program modifications (major) prior to the meeting and for departments to receive suggested edits prior to the committee meeting.

What is the mechanism for the individuals to make the changes? The committee discussion was to send the recommended changes to A. Lundberg and J. Lundgren. We will then have these changes before the actual meeting. The proposal submitters cannot respond in CourseLeaf once submitted, but can work with A. Lundberg to send revisions via email.

Committee members are asked to encourage department chairs and the program chairs to attend the training meeting on Oct. 22. A. Lundberg has already sent out this email.