

**Educational Policies Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Status of Minutes: Approved 10/21/2020

Attendees

Members Present: L. Becker, D. Choudhary, S. Garrett, K. Grote, B. Lasky, C. Mayberry, Y. Mimura, D. Weingarten, T. Zirakian

Members Absent: M. Alvarez Rojas, N. Golden

Staff: E. Adams, D. Cours, J. Hunter

Guests: R. Angulo-Barroso, K. Baxter, S. Esparza, P. Faiman, S. Gandhi, D. Gray, K. Harris, C. Hayashi, K. Henige, X. Jia, A. Kaplan, P. Lazarony, R. Meyer, L. Moody, R. Ryan, D. Tamalis, A. Taylor, D. Vrongistinos, D. Wakefield, J. Wiegley, B. Wu

I. Announcements

- A. D. Weingarten announced that he attended the Calendar Committee meeting. EPC members were invited to provide feedback on the proposed 2021-2022 Academic Calendar by e-mailing him directly.
- B. C. Mayberry reminded committee members about the upcoming [WASC](#) open forums: October 8 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., October 14 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and October 16 from 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

II. Business

- A. The minutes from 9/16/2020 were **MSP approved**.
- B. L. Becker reported on the Central American Studies external review exit meeting. Commendations included the department's community engagement, student-centered focus, mentoring and faculty creativity. Recommendations included improving visibility of the department's activities, developing incoming student awareness of the program and finding/fixing holes in the curriculum.
- C. General Education
 - 1. D. Gray presented the proposed GE Section B Student Learning Outcomes on behalf of the subcommittee. He provided background on Section B from EO 1100R and how it differs from the current CSUN GE SLOs. Some members shared concern with the proposed use of the word sophistication in the SLOs

and whether it was measurable. It was recommended to use Bloom's Taxonomy for a different word choice. The subcommittee will revise the proposed SLOs based on the feedback provided.

2. The committee reviewed the updated GE Pattern Modification charts. Members continued discussing the following issues: (1) whether upper division GE pattern modifications should also meet the Writing Intensive (WI) requirement, and (2) whether programs with elective units in the major should be granted pattern modifications. Discussion focused primarily on the second issue, with members sharing different perspectives. One, that programs with room in the major should benefit from the breadth GE is intended to provide. It was suggested that these majors should not be granted pattern modifications. On the other hand, before double counting in Plan E, departments were allowed one pattern modification and could request additional pattern modification(s) on a case-by-case basis. In cases where departments show the course meets the relevant GE SLOs, students should not be asked to take an additional GE course.

Concern was also expressed that the committee does not have clear guidelines for considering pattern modifications and approval can vary based on the composition of the committee. It was suggested that departments could be required to satisfy other parameters such as providing a justification beyond the course meeting the minimum GE SLOs. After further discussion, a motion to set a minimum threshold of 6 units available in a major in order to request a pattern modification was withdrawn. D. Weingarten asked members to email him regarding information the committee needs to continue the discussion at a future meeting.

D. Provisionally Approved Curriculum

The following items were informational and not voted on.

Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication

SELECTED TOPICS

1. JOUR 495RR – Remote Reporting (3)
2. JOUR 495SR – Science Reporting (3)

PREVIOUSLY OFFERED EXPERIMENTAL TOPICS

3. COMS 396H – Health Communication (3)

Previously offered Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018

E. College of Science and Mathematics

The following item was informational and not voted on.

1. MATH 196S – Math Preparation for STEM Majors (5)

F. Previously Offered Experimental Topics

1. MATH 196S – Math Preparation for STEM Majors (5). **MSP approved** for Spring 2021.

Previously offered Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020

G. Curriculum proposals on the Consent Calendar were **MSP approved** (see Attachment I).

H. College of Health and Human Development

The following items were informational and not voted on.

Health Sciences

Course Modifications

1. HSCI 434 – Lactation Education: Prenatal and Perinatal Period (3)
Change course level from Undergraduate Only to Undergraduate/Graduate
2. HSCI 446 – Lactation Education: Postpartum Period (3)
Change course level from Undergraduate Only to Undergraduate/Graduate

I. College of Health and Human Development

Child and Adolescent Development

New Course

1. CADV 180 – Statistics in Applied Developmental Science (3). **MSP approved.**

Program Modifications

2. Child and Adolescent Development, B.A. – Early Childhood Development Option.
MSP approved.
3. Child and Adolescent Development, B.A. – Applied Developmental Sciences Option.
MSP approved.

Health Sciences

Course Modification

4. HSCI 465ELM – Teaching Health in the Elementary School Classroom (1). **MSP approved** with revisions. Update current course description to match catalog and verify proposed course description is correct.

Program Modification

5. Public Health, B.S. **MSP approved** with correction to the lower and upper division unit totals (ranges) on the form and addition of the consultation with Chemistry.

J. College of Engineering and Computer Science

Computer Science

New Courses

1. COMP 111A/L – Introduction to Algorithms and Programming A and Lab (2/1).
MSP approved.
2. COMP 111B/L – Introduction to Algorithms and Programming B and Lab (2/1).
MSP approved.

3. COMP 488 – Advanced Practicum in Information Technology (2). **MSP approved.**
 4. CIT 488 – Advanced Practicum in Information Technology (2). **MSP approved.**
***Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management
Program Modification***
 5. Engineering Management, B.S. **MSP approved.**
- K. E. Adams informed the committee she spoke to the chair of the department that requested a streamlined process to update course titles. The department will submit proposals through the regular process. EPC can consider early implementation due to the larger social context since changes are not substantive and better reflect what is being taught in the courses. The committee will accept proposals that have minimal information, provided the justification clearly states that no changes are being made to the content of the course.
- L. The committee continued to discuss Interstate Passport. E. Adams said that in addition to existing articulation agreements, California Community Colleges have developed Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) which would be duplicative of Interstate Passport. The forthcoming implementation of AB 1460 also makes it more complicated at the present time. D. Cours shared that the campus also has a National Student Clearing House contract for the Reverse Transfer Program. D. Weingarten said it is problematic to decide now given the circumstances but the program may be more appealing in the future.

Meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Attachment I: Consent Calendar

Some curriculum proposals will be moved onto a “consent calendar” on the agenda. The purpose of the consent calendar will be to expedite items deemed to be minor and non-controversial. The Chair of EPC will move items onto the consent calendar in consultation with the Executive Secretary of the Committee. All of these items will remain available for review by all EPC members and any EPC member may remove an item from the consent calendar at any time prior to or during the meeting at which the item is to be considered. Items on the consent calendar will be acted upon as a single item. (EPC Standard Operating Procedures, page 3.)

A. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

History

New Course (Returning from 9/16/20 for addition of WI matrix)

1. HIST 389 – Disability in American History and Law (3)
Proposed for GE Section D1 Social Sciences

B. Student Success

Course Modification (Returning from 9/16/20 for addition of IC matrix)

1. UNIV 100 – Freshman Seminar (3)
Change course description

C. College of Health and Human Development

Child and Adolescent Development

Course Modifications

1. CADV 250 – The Child and Adolescent Development Profession (3)
Change title, short title, description
2. CADV 394 – Child and Adolescent Development Internship I (3)
Change course description
3. CADV 494 – Child and Adolescent Development Internship II (3)
Change course description and requisites

Health Sciences

Course Modifications

4. HSCI 331 – Public Health Education (3)
Change course title, short title and description
5. HSCI 390/L – Biostatistics and Lab (3/1)
Change course description and requisites
6. HSCI 431 – Health Behavior (3)
Change course title, short title and description
7. HSCI 437 – Strategies for Making Health Decisions (3)
Change course title, short title and description

8. HSCI 439 – Community Health Action (3)
Change course description and requisites
9. HSCI 441 – Community Health Education (3)
Change title, short title and description
10. ~~HSCI 465ELM – Teaching Health in the Elementary School Classroom (1)~~
~~*Change course description and requisites*~~ **Moved to 10/7/2020 Agenda Item II.I.4.**
11. HSCI 466ADO – Health Issues of the Adolescent (1)
Change course description
12. HSCI 488 – Epidemiology: Study of Disease (3)
Change course level, title, short title and description

Program Modifications

13. ~~Public Health, B.S.~~ **Moved to 10/7/2020 Agenda Item II.I.5.**

14. Gerontology Minor

Kinesiology

Program Modification

15. Kinesiology, B.S. – All Options
Pattern Modification to count KIN 345/L in GE Section B5 Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning

D. College of Engineering and Computer Science

Computer Science

Course Modification

1. COMP 442 –Machine Learning Principles (3)
Change course description and requisites

Electrical and Computer Engineering

Course Modification

2. ECE 443/L – Pulse and Waveshaping Circuit Design and Lab (3/1)
Change course title, short title, description and requisites

Mechanical Engineering

Course Modifications

3. AE 486A – Senior Design in Aerospace Engineering (2)
Change course description and requisites
4. ME 462 – Internal Combustion Engines (3)
Change course description and requisites

Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management

Course Modification

5. MSE 420 – New Product Innovation and Technical Entrepreneurship for Engineers (3)
Change course level, description and requisites