



ACADEMIC COORDINATING COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2017

Call to order: *ACC Chair* Seán Murphy called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm, welcoming a total of 23 attendees (roster attached).

Minutes: ACC Minutes of 21 November 2017 were approved as written.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seán Murphy, *ACC Chair:*

- Met with an Academic Working Group (AWG) tasked with drafting a model for Western's Global Pathway Program (GPP). Murphy reported that two faculty members have been appointed by the Faculty Senate to serve on the AWG and confirmed that the GPP is subject to ACC approval. ACC expects to review a GPP proposal at its first meeting of winter quarter.
- Commissioners will divide up review of large sets of curriculum minutes.

William Martin, *Associated Students:*

- Martin will seek a winter quarter replacement while he is completing his internship with the Legislature.

REVIEW OF CURRICULUM MINUTES

#	Committee	Date	Actions	Minutes prepared by
20R	Committee on Undergraduate Education (CUE)	10/26/2017	ACCEPTED	S. Miller
27	Fairhaven College CC (FCCC)	11/1/2017	ACCEPTED with exception of six new course proposals. ^{1,2}	Anna Blick
28	Woodring College of Education CC (WCC)	11/16/2017	ACCEPTED	C. Teshima
29	Teacher Curricula & Certification Council (TCCC)	11/14/2017	ACCEPTED with comments. ^{3,4}	K. Olstad
30	Teacher Curricula & Certification Council (TCCC)	11/21/2017	ACCEPTED	K. Olstad
31	Council on University Programs (CUP)	11/28/2017	ACCEPTED with comments. ^{5,6}	D. Rossiter
32	Huxley College CC (HCCC)	11/13/2017	ACCEPTED with comments. ^{7,8}	R. Kawczynski
33	College of Science & Engineering CC (CSE)	11/27/2017	ACCEPTED with comments. ^{9,10}	J. Caplan-Auerbach
34	College of Science & Engineering CC (CSE)	11/20/2017	ACCEPTED with comments and with exception of CS 426. ^{11,12}	J. Caplan-Auerbach

¹ [FAIR 308](#), [312](#), [314](#), [339](#), [364](#), & [377](#): Returned pending clarification on whether course proposers engaged in collegial communication with departments outside of Fairhaven.

² [FAIR 308](#) & [339](#): Commissioners seek clarification on whether course proposers intended to indicate "yes" for variable credit.

³ Suggested edit to page one of the minutes: "Academic Curricular Committee" should be "Academic Coordinating Commission."

⁴ [ELED 497J](#): Revise the number of weekly seminar hours from 40 to 4.

⁵ [ENRG 397F](#): Suggested edit to rationale for course: revise "understand the linkages between" to "understand the linkages among."

⁶ Edit minutes to indicate that [INTL 336](#) is a request for a course revision.

⁷ [ENVS 450](#), [452](#), [454,456](#), [457](#), [458](#), & [461](#): Suggested language to help clarify rationale for course revisions: "update prerequisites to account for changes to core curriculum previously approved at the X meeting of Y date."

⁸ Commissioners expressed concern that the NCI credit list appears to have minimal faculty oversight.

⁹ [Chemistry, BS](#): Commissioners observed that the large number of credits does not comply with the 3/2/1 model (see p.6 of [ACC Handbook](#))

¹⁰ Noted that any revisions to course or program proposals prior to launching a proposal will not appear in Curriculum markup.

¹¹ [GEOL 465](#): Please indicate number of lecture/lab hours under course details.

¹² [CSCI 426](#): Returned pending collegial communication with the Design Department.

Review of CHSS CC minutes of 11/2/2017 (35); CHSS CC minutes of 11/28/2017 (36); and CUE minutes of 11/9/2017 (37) postponed until ACC's meeting of January 10, 2018.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Revision of GUR Competencies: Commissioners discussed the purpose of GUR Competencies and the benefits and drawbacks of the following four models:

- Six competencies based on Western's GUR categories;
- Four or five competencies synthesized from Western's current competencies;
- Four competencies based on AACU's LEAP Learning Outcomes;
- The eleven current competencies.

The Faculty Senate Office will email a Qualtrics survey to Commissioners so they may indicate their preferred model. The data will be used as a starting point for continued discussion of the GUR competencies at ACC's meeting of January 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

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VOTING ATTENDEES				NON-VOTING ATTENDEES			
Faculty				Advisory			
1	Seán Murphy, <i>ACC Chair</i>	<i>Senator</i> ~ Liberal Studies	P	17	David Brunnemer, <i>Registrar</i>		P
2	Doug Clark	A ~ Geology	P	18	Jamie Lawson, <i>Catalog Coordinator</i>		--
3	Paul Chen	B ~ Political Science	P	19	Lizzy Ramhorst, <i>Shared Gov Ops Mgr</i>		P
4	Joan Hoffman	C ~ Mod & Classic Lang	P	Recorder			
5	Brittany Schade	D ~ Design	P	20	Kylee Swift, <i>FS Admin Assistant</i>		P
6	Phil Thompson	E ~ Economics	P	Guests			
7	Julie Helling	F ~ Fairhaven	P	22	Marc Geisler, <i>Assoc Dean of CHSS</i>		P
8	Brooke Love	G ~ Environmental Studies	P	23	Donna Qualley, <i>CUE Chair</i>		P
9	Tracy Thorndike	H ~ Special Education	P	24	Jackie Caplan-Auerbach, <i>Asso Dean CSE</i>		P
10	Peter Smith	I ~ Wilson Library	P	25	Gail Coulter, <i>Special Education</i>		P
11	Aaron Perzigian	<i>Senator</i> ~ Special Education	P	26	Craig Dunn, <i>Management</i>		P
12	Sheila Webb, <i>Vice Chair</i>	<i>Senator</i> ~ Journalism	P	27	Elizabeth Raymond, <i>Chemistry</i>		P
Ex Officio							
13	Steven VanderStaay, <i>Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education</i>		--				
Students							
14	Hunter Eider, <i>AS VP for Academic Affairs</i>		P				
15	Bill Martin, <i>AS appointee</i>		P				
16	Vacant, <i>AS appointee</i>		--				
Voting members in attendance			14	Voting attendees			14
				Non-voting attendees			9
				TOTAL ATTENDEES			23