

MINUTES
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
April 7, 2014
230 STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING, 3:00 PM

Present: A. Zink-Sharp (Chair); E. Ervin for A. Grant; G. Long for L. N. Chang; V. Fowler; G. Yee; M. Denbow; K. Sanders for R. Holloway; C. Boone for R. Benson; D. Stauffer; B. Martin; S. Martin; J. Clevenger for R. Sumichrast; C. Fleming; R. Stephens for J. Hirt; D. Smith; S. Biscotte for J. Sible; M. Hajj; L. Pressley; L. Tegarden for J. Arthur; G. Kirk; B. Galloway for S. Hirt

Absent without Notification: C. Clarke; J. Edens; M. Trunak; B. Ashley; C. Grubbs; S. Hirt; A. Knoblauch; Z. Montgomery

Visitors: K. Deater-Deckard; S. Schoenholtz; B. Denton; G. Costello; C. Brunelli

Call to Order and Announcements

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Audrey Zink-Sharp, Chair.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

Announcement of Approval and Posting of Minutes

Audrey Zink-Sharp announced the March 24, 2014 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar's website (http://www.registrar.vt.edu/governance/dates-materials/CUSP_2013-2014/index.html).

Old Business

Reports and Minutes from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Resolution 2013-14.G, Resolution to Approve New Bachelor of Science Degree in Water: Resources, Policy, and Management, Second Reading

The motion to approve Resolution 2013-14.G, *Resolution to Approve New Bachelor of Science Degree in Water: Resources, Policy, and Management*. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2013-14.I, Resolution to Approve New Major in Public Relations, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Second Reading

The motion to approve Resolution 2013-14.I, *Resolution to Approve New Major in Public Relations, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication*. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2013-14.J, Resolution to Approve New Major in Multimedia Journalism, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Second Reading

The motion to approve Resolution 2013-14.J, *Resolution to Approve New Major in Multimedia Journalism, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication*. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2013-14.K, Resolution to Approve New Major in Communication Studies, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Second Reading

The motion to approve Resolution 2013-14.K, *Resolution to Approve New Major in Communication Studies, in Bachelor of Arts in Communication*. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2013-14.L, Revision to Prohibiting Students from Repeating Course to Improve Grade Averages (Undergraduate Repeating Course Enrollment Policy), Second Reading

The motion to **TABLE** Resolution 2013-14.L, *Revision to Prohibiting Students from Repeating Course to Improve Grade Averages (Undergraduate Repeating Course Enrollment Policy)*. The motion approved: 18 yeas, 1 abstain, 2 opposed, 0 nay

The commission asked for further review to assess the potential impact of this policy on the underrepresented student population and to what extent to repeating of a course three occurs.

Resolution 2013-14.N, Resolution to Approve New Bachelor of Science Degree in Neuroscience, Second Reading

The motion to approve Resolution 2013-14.N, *Resolution to Approve New Bachelor of Science Degree in Neuroscience*. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Resolution 2013-14.H, Resolution to Revise *Presidential Policy Memorandum No. 111 (Residency Requirement)*, First Reading

A motion was made and seconded to present for first reading *Resolution 2013-14.H, Resolution to Revise Presidential Policy Memorandum No. 111 (Residency Requirement)*, effective Fall 2014, for first reading.

Dr. Stauffer provided an overview of the revised Presidential Policy Memorandum No. 111 (Residency Requirement)

Points of discussion:

- Committee asked for “Residency Requirement” clarification.
- Application of “requirement that at least 25% of all credits be earned is residence at Virginia Tech”.

The second reading will take place at the next CUSP meeting which is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2014.

Resolution 2013-14.O, Resolution to *Approve New Major Consumer Studies, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, First Reading

A motion was made and seconded to present for first reading *Resolution 2013-14.O, Resolution to Approve Major Consumer Studies, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, effective Fall 2014, for first reading.

Dr. Stephens provided overview of degree program and noted that Major in Consumer Studies shares a common degree core with the other Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management degree majors.

The second reading will take place at the next CUSP meeting which is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2014.

Resolution 2013-14.P, Resolution to *Approve New Major Fashion Merchandising and Design, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, First Reading

A motion was made and seconded to present for first reading *Resolution 2013-14.P, Resolution to Approve New Major Fashion Merchandising and Design, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, effective Fall 2014, for first reading.

Dr. Stephens provided overview of degree program and noted that Major in Fashion Merchandising and Design shares a common degree core with the other Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management degree majors.

The second reading will take place at the next CUSP meeting which is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2014.

Resolution 2013-14.Q, Resolution to *Approve New Major Property Management, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, First Reading

A motion was made and seconded to present for first reading *Resolution 2013-14.Q, Resolution to Approve New Major Property Management, in Bachelor of Science Degree in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management*, effective Fall 2014, for first reading.

Dr. Stephens provided overview of degree program and noted that Major in Property Management shares a common degree core with the other Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management degree majors.

The second reading will take place at the next CUSP meeting which is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2014.

Reports and Minutes from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Stephen Martin presented the report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee meeting of March 28, 2014. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Report of March 28, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

For “First and Second Reading” Unanimous Approval

Courses

New:

Fall 2014

College of Architecture & Urban Studies

ART 1614 Principles of Visual Communication Design (CM-1408)

ART 3054 Islamic Art and Architecture (CM-1409)

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

ENGL 4854 Writing, Research, Study Aboard (CM-1413)

IS 1034 (PSCI 1034) Introduction to International Studies and Political Science (CM- 1558)

JPN 3105-3106 Advanced Japanese (CM-1662)

RLCL 2204 (WGS 2204, AFST 2204) Race and Gender in Religion and Culture (CM-1663)

Revised:

Fall 2014

College of Agriculture & Life Science

APSC 1504 Animal and Poultry Sciences First Year Experience (CM-1533)

College of Natural Resources and Environment

FOR 4354 Forest and Soil Watershed Management (CM-1531)

Pamplin College of Business

MGT 4394 Strategic Management (CM-1491)

Discontinued:

Fall 2014

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

REL 2234 (WGS 2234) Women, Ethics, and Religion (CM-1663)

REL 2744 (AFST 2744) The Black Church in America (CM-1663)

College of Natural Resources and Environment

FOR 5354G Advanced Forest Soils and Hydrology (CM-1531)

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**For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval**

Degrees, Majors, Options, Minors

Majors

New:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Establishment of new Major: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Consumer Studies (CONS), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1665)

Checksheet: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Consumer Studies (CONS) (CM-1665)

Establishment of new Major: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Fashion Merchandising (FMD), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1666)

Checksheet: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Fashion Merchandising (FMD) (CM-1666)

Establishment of new Major: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Property Management (RPM), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1667)

Checksheet: Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Major – Property Management (RPM) (CM-1667)

Revised:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Checksheet: Bachelor of Science in Human Development (BSHD), Major – Human Development (HD) (CM-1536)

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2018

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Checksheet: Bachelor of Arts in History (BAHST), Major – History (HST) (CM-1556)

Discontinued:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2015

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Option – Consumer Studies (CONS). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1665)

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Option – Apparel Product Development & Merchandising Management (APDM). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1666)

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Apparel, Housing, and Resource Management (BSARM), Option – Residential Property Management (RPM). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1667)

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Human Development, Major – Human Development, Option – Human Services; Child & Adolescent Development (HSOC). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1536)

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Human Development, Major – Human Development, Option – Human Services; Family Gerontology (HSOF). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1536)

Discontinue Major Option (upon approval of new Major): Bachelor of Science in Human Development, Major – Human Development, Option – Human Services; Professional Helping Skills (HSOP). Last term and year for granting option Fall 2015 (CM-1536)

Options

New:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Establishment of new Major Option: Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS), Major – International Studies (IS), Option – Security and Foreign Policy (SFP) (new), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1471)

Checksheet: Bachelor of Arts in International Studies (BAIS), Major – International Studies (IS), Option – Security and Foreign Policy (SFP) (new). (CM-1471)

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2018

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Establishment of new Major Option: Bachelor of Arts in History (BAHST), Major – History (HST), Option – Undergraduate Research/Thesis (RSTH) (new), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1555)

Checksheet: Bachelor of Arts in History (BAHST), Major – History (HST), Option – Undergraduate Research/Thesis (RSTH) (new). (CM-1555)

Minors

New:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Establishment of new Minor: Minor in National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1472)

Checksheet: Minor in National Security and Foreign Affairs (NSFA), first enrollment effective Fall 2014 (CM-1472)

Revised:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Checksheet: Minor – Cinema (CINE) (CM-1485)

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Checksheet: Minor – Urban Forestry (URBF) (CM-1466)

University Curriculum Committee Meeting

Stephen Biscotte, for Jill Sible, presented the minutes of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of March 5, 2014. Motion was made and seconded to accept the University Curriculum Committee minutes of March 5, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Nominations for Chair and Representative of CUSP Sub-Committees

The following volunteered to continue to serve as Chairs and Representatives of CUSP Sub-Committees:

Chair for Academic Support Committee

Dean Stauffer

Chair for Academic Policy Committee

Dean Stauffer

Representative for University Libraries Committee

Lauren Pressley

Nominations for the following CUSP Sub-Committees will be sought at the next Scheduled CUSP meeting on April 21, 2014:

Representative for University Commencement Committee
Representative for Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education

Request for Posthumous Degree

Gary Long, Associate Dean of College of Science, moved approval of the posthumous awarding of the degree *Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences, Summa cum Laude, Health Studies Scholar, to Samanata Shrestha effective Spring 2014*. Dr. Long indicated the request was based on the recommendation of the faculty of Biological Sciences, and supported by the College of Sciences. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Brunelli
Office of the University Registrar