

**Educational Policies Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 27, 2019
Status of Minutes: Approved 3/13/19

Attendees

Members Present: L. Becker, L. Campbell, B. Lasky, K. Luna, C. Mayberry, A. McCaffrey, Y. Mimura, T. Rassamekiarttisak, C. Spector, E. Sussman, D. Weingarten

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

Guests: S. Brownlee, P. Faiman, W. Garrow, D. Gray, J. Heinen, K. Henige, D. Hosken, P. Lazarony, S. Macauley, S. Malhotra, G. Masequesmay, K. Morgaine, A. Nahapetian, R. Rivera Furumoto, R. Ryan, S. Scheld, M.P. Stein, D. Tamalis, K. Vrongistinos

I. Announcements

- A. C. Mayberry announced that the resolution of no confidence in Chancellor White was voted on and passed at the February 14, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2019.

II. Business

- A. The minutes from 2/13/19 were **MSP approved**.

B. Program Review Updates

1. K. Luna reported on the Africana Studies Final MOU meeting. He said the department was commended for aligning its mission to the National Council for Black Studies curriculum, revising course offerings to advance a holistic and contemporary Africana Studies curriculum, and hiring an expert to teach in research methodologies. Recommendations included reviewing existing coursework to determine redundancy in the major and pursuing development of a GE science course, as well as listing new and existing courses in GE.
2. Y. Mimura reported on the Chicana/o Studies Final MOU meeting. She said the department was commended as a resource and model to effectively address the needs of first generation students. Recommendations were related to resources and exploring development of online and hybrid courses.

- C. D. Cours informed the committee that the campus is pursuing the Engaged Campus Carnegie designation. There are several ways courses are identified as having a Community Service Learning requirement: (1) CS box checked on new course or course modification proposal, (2) course suffix of CS added to course

number, (3) SOLAR Catalog includes CSL designation, and (4) course catalog includes the statement “*offers a community service opportunity with activities relating to concepts and theories and presented.*” An audit found that course descriptions, attributes and suffixes are listed inconsistently in the University Catalog and SOLAR for courses that were previously approved by EPC for service learning. It was **MSP** that EPC will approve these corrections through a memo from the associate dean (confirming approval from the department and college) that it is intended the course have all four of these elements, and the corrections be made.

C. Spector said it would be helpful to have guidelines for designating a course as service learning. D. Cours said there is a policy on service learning she will send to the committee.

D. The following items were informational and not voted on (effective Fall 2019).

PREVIOUSLY OFFERED EXPERIMENTAL TOPICS

College of Health and Human Development

1. RTM 296RS – Introduction to Recreational Sport Management (3). It was noted that the record of consultation with Kinesiology on the original proposal was marked as Yes instead of No. The college will correct the record of consultation for Kinesiology on the original proposal. The Kinesiology department does not object to the course offering for Fall 2019.

College of Humanities

2. CAS 396D – Food, Power and Culture in Central America

E. David Nazarian College of Business and Economics

Business Honors Program

New Experimental Topics Course

1. BUS 496BH – Systems Thinking for Organizations (3). **MSP approved** with the addition of a course assessment statement.

F. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

History

Course Deletions

1. HIST 273 – American Criminal Trials (3). **MSP approved.**
2. HIST 354 – The Social Sciences: A Comparison (3). **MSP approved.**
3. HIST 469P – Pirates in the Atlantic World (3). **MSP approved.**
4. HIST 492IP – Hist Cult Geog Soc Prov (3). **MSP approved.**
5. HIST 495 – The Philosophy of History (3). **MSP approved.**

Anthropology

Course Modification

6. ANTH 341 – Bones: An Introduction to the Study of Human Remains (3). **MSP approved.** Check box for use in own program.

Sociology (Early Implementation Requested)

The department withdrew the request for early implementation.

Course Modifications

7. SOC 490S/F – Supervised Field Seminar and Fieldwork (1/2). **MSP approved.**
 8. SOC 492 – Human Behavior in the Social Environment (3). **MSP approved.**
 9. SOC 493 – Diversity and Social Justice (3). **MSP approved.** Remove instructor consent from the prerequisites.
- G. D. Hosken and M.P. Stein, co-chairs of the WASC Re-accreditation Steering Committee, informed EPC that the campus was selected to participate in the streamlined Thematic Pathway for Reaffirmation (TPR) process. Documents related to WASC reaccreditation can be accessed at www.csun.edu/wasc. D. Hosken provided examples of themes and subthemes from other universities and asked for input. One recommendation was diversity and inclusion or inclusive excellence. EPC members, as well as the campus community, are encouraged to provide feedback on themes. The steering committee will narrow down themes at its next meeting for the report due on May 1, 2019.
- H. General Education
1. E. Adams informed the committee that some curriculum proposals related to GE Plan E, including upper division B pattern modifications and lower division B unit value changes needed for Fall 2019, will be considered at the March 5, 2019 Academic Affairs Council. The changes will be published in the University Catalog and available to students provisionally until reviewed by EPC. Approval will be rescinded for any proposals not submitted to EPC by Fall 2020 or for proposals rejected by EPC.
 2. The committee continued to review the chart presented at the last EPC meeting. It was **MSP (one abstention)** to not consider requests to list across sections C1 to C2 or vice versa. The committee will continue to review the chart at the next meeting once the process for listing across GE sections is decided.
 3. Discussion of listing across GE sections was postponed due to lack of time.
 4. Discussion of the Statewide ASCSU GE Task Force Final Report was postponed due to lack of time.
- I. G. Masequesmay gave a brief overview of the proposed CSUN Graduation Requirement on the Examination of Equity and Justice on Issues of Ethnicity, Race, Class, Gender, Sexuality, and Ability. C. Mayberry invited the committee to ask questions. It was clarified that the intent of the proposal is not to replace GE Section F, as the proposed SLOs are more specific; however, some existing courses in Section F that meet three of the five proposed SLOs could satisfy the requirement. The proposal will be agendaized for a future meeting due to lack of time.