

**Educational Policies Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Status of Minutes: Approved 3/3/21

Attendees

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

Members Absent: M. Alvarez Rojas

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

Guests: A. Alroomi, B. Bavarian, K. Baxter, M. Best, N. Dermendjian, R. Espinoza, P. Faiman, S. Fitzpatrick-Behrens, S. Gandhi, C. Hayashi, K. Henige, E. Jackiewicz, V. Jensen, X. Jia, H. Johari, R. Kent, P. Lazarony, K. Luna, R. Maas, B. McAuliff, K. Morgaine, C. Olwert, A. Pérez-Boluda, J. Razani, S. Rengarajan, W. Smith, C. Sprouse, D. Tamalis, H. Toutanji, J. Wiegley, B. Wightman, B. Wu

I. Announcements

A. There were no announcements.

II. Business

A. The minutes from 2/3/21 were **MSP approved**.

B. D. Weingarten shared that he received numerous requests to continue the practice of granting early implementation for proposals that decolonize curriculum. After discussion, it was **MSP** to continue granting early implementation for proposals with this justification through the next academic year.

C. E. Adams said that the CSUN Council for Ethnic Studies (CSUNCES) and its subcommittee the Ethnic Studies and Academic Council (ESAC) have sorted out a basic structure to incorporate the AB 1460 requirement into CSUN's curriculum. She said EPC would be the approving body for the curriculum in consultation with ESAC. The proposed policy will be considered at the next EPC meeting and related curriculum will come later in the semester. A minor revision is also needed to the syllabus policy to include the student learning outcomes for Ethnic Studies designated courses.

- D. E. Adams provided a brief overview of the Matador Academic Challenge, which gives freshmen taking 15-17 units the opportunity to drop a class through week 11. She requested to continue the Matador Academic Challenge for freshmen and asked the committee to consider extending it to new transfers and continuing students. After discussion, it was **MSP** to continue the Matador Academic Challenge for first time freshmen in the next academic year. Additionally, it was **MSP** to approve the Matador Academic Challenge for transfer students as well.
- E. D. Cours reminded the committee that the campus Academic Internship and Service Learning policy is audited by the Chancellor's Office about every 10 years. The audit has resulted in at least one finding, that the campus does not have an academic policy compliant with EO 1064. Additional information will be provided along with a sample policy from Chico that has been recommended as a good model. Since the policy will need to cover both undergraduate and graduate students, revisions will need to be made in collaboration with GSC. The committee will continue the discussion at the next meeting.
- F. D. Weingarten said the Senate Executive Committee requested that EPC review the CSUN Syllabus Policy. After discussion, he asked for members to form a subcommittee to provide a recommendation back to EPC. D. Choudhary, B. Lasky and C. Mayberry volunteered for the subcommittee.
- G. Provisionally Approved Curriculum

The following items were informational and not voted on.

SELECTED TOPICS

David Nazarian College of Business and Economics

1. ACCT 497CPA – The Capstone Course for CPA Review (3)

College of Humanities

2. ENGL 495EX – Experiments in 21st Century Fiction (3)
3. ENGL 495RC – Radical Christianity (3)
4. GWS 495FLP – Feminist Love Politics (3)

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

5. CJS 452CV – Central American Crime and Violence (3)
6. CJS 452MD – Media and Crime (3)
7. PSY 479SJ – Advanced Inquiry in Psychology and Social Justice (3)

PREVIOUSLY OFFERED EXPERIMENTAL TOPICS

College of Health and Human Development

8. RTM 296RS – Introduction to Recreational Sport Management (3)
(previously offered Fall 2018, Fall 2019)

H. Previously Offered Experimental Topics

David Nazarian College of Business and Economics

1. BUS 496BH – Systems Thinking for Organizations (3). **MSP approved.**
(previously offered Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

College of Humanities

2. SPAN 496MS – Spanish for the Health Professions (3). **MSP approved.**
(previously offered Fall 2016, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, and Fall 2020)

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

3. HIST 496EH – U.S. Environmental History (3). **MSP approved.**
(previously offered Spring 2005, Fall 2006, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

- I. Curriculum proposals on the Consent Calendar were **MSP approved** with the exception of item A.1. Music, B.M. Jazz Studies program modification, which was tabled for revisions (see Attachment I).

J. College of Engineering and Computer Science

1. The Computer Science, B.S. and Computer Information Technology, B.S. memo to extend current GE pattern modifications in 2021-22 and 2022-23 was **MSP approved** with the addition of a statement about changes in accreditation requirements.

K. Early Implementation General Education New Course Proposals Provisionally Approved by Academic Affairs Council

College of Science and Mathematics

Biology

Returning from 10/2/19

1. BIOL 218/L – Microbes and People and Lab (2/1). **Tabled** for revisions requested on 10/2/19.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Geography and Environmental Studies

Returning from 11/6/19

2. GEOG 101A/AL – The Physical Environment and Lab (2/1). **Tabled** for revisions requested on 10/2/19.
3. GEOG 103A/AL – Weather and Lab (2/1). **Tabled** for revisions requested on 10/2/19.

L. Early Implementation General Education Pattern Modification Proposals Provisionally Approved by Academic Affairs Council

College of Science and Mathematics

Geological Sciences

1. Geology, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Mathematics

2. Mathematics, B.A. **MSP approved.**
3. Mathematics, B.S. **MSP approved.**

David Nazarian College of Business and Economics

Accounting and Information Systems

- 4. Accountancy, B.S. **MSP approved.**
- 5. Information Systems, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Business Administration

- 6. Business Administration, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Economics

- 7. Economics, B.A. **MSP approved.**

College of Health and Human Development

Recreation and Tourism Management

- 8. Tourism, Hospitality, and Recreation Management, B.S. **Tabled** for addition of syllabus.

College of Engineering and Computer Science

Civil Engineering and Construction Management

- 9. Civil Engineering, B.S. **MSP approved.**
- 10. Construction Management, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Electrical and Computer Engineering

- 11. Computer Engineering, B.S. **MSP approved.**
- 12. Electrical Engineering, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management

- 13. Engineering Management, B.S. **MSP approved.**
- 14. Manufacturing Systems Engineering, B.S. **MSP approved.**

Mechanical Engineering

- 15. Mechanical Engineering, B.S. **MSP approved.**

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Sociology

- 16. Sociology, B.A. **MSP approved.**

Urban Studies and Planning

- 17. Urban Studies and Planning, B.A. **MSP approved.**

M. College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Psychology

Program Modification

- 1. Psychology, B.A. **MSP approved.**

N. Early Implementation Proposals

Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication

Music

New Course

- 1. MUS 466 – Digital Strategies for the Music Industry (3). **Tabled** for clarification of early implementation request.

Program Modification

2. Music, B.A. Option in Music Industry Studies. **Tabled** for clarification of early implementation request.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Geography and Environmental Studies

New Course

3. GEOG 449 – Mixed Methods for Human and Environmental Geography (3).
MSP approved.

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 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.)

Early Implementation

A. Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication

Music

Program Modification

1. ~~Music, B.M. Option in Jazz Studies~~ ***Tabled for Revisions***

Theatre

Course Modifications

2. TH 261 – Fundamentals of Scenery and Properties Technology (2)
Change course description and requisites
3. TH 261A – Scenery and Properties Technology Production Participation (1)
Change course number to TH 261P
4. TH 262 – Fundamentals of Costume Technology (2)
Change course description and requisites
5. TH 262A – Costume Technology Production Participation (1)
Change course number to TH 262P
6. TH 263 – Fundamentals of Lighting and Sound Technology (2)
Change course description and requisites
7. TH 263A – Lighting and Sound Technology Production Participation (1)
Change course number to TH 263P
8. TH 361A – Intermediate Scenery and Properties Technology (2)
Change course title, description and classification from C-20 to C-12
9. TH 361B – Scenic Art Techniques (2)
Change course title, short title, description and classification from C-20 to C-12
10. TH 362A – Intermediate Costume Technology (2)
Change course title, description and classification from C-20 to C-12
11. TH 363A – Intermediate Lighting Technology (2)
Change course title, description and classification from C-20 to C-12
12. TH 367 – Advanced Make-Up (2)
Change course title, description, requisites and classification from C-20 to C-12

New Courses

- 13. TH 361P – Scenic/Properties Practicum (1)
- 14. TH 362P – Intermediate Costume Practicum (1)
- 15. TH 363P – Lighting/Sound/Video Practicum (1)

Program Modification

- 16. Theatre, B.A.

B. College of Science and Mathematics

Biology

Program Modifications

- 1. Biology, B.A.
- 2. Biology, B.S. – Cell and Molecular Biology Option

Chemistry

Course Modifications

- 3. CHEM 365 – Introduction to Biochemistry (3)
Unlink lecture and lab; Change requisites
- 4. CHEM 365L – Introduction to Biochemistry Lab (1)
Unlink lecture and lab; Change requisites

Geological Sciences

Course Modification

- 5. GEOL 313 – Introduction to Field Methods (2)
Change course title, short title, requisites and course description

Program Modification

- 6. Geology, B.S.

C. College of Humanities

English

Program Modifications

- 1. English, B.A. – Four-Year Integrated (FYI) English Subject Matter Program for the Single Subject Credential Option
- 2. English, B.A. – Junior-Year Integrated (JYI) English Subject Matter Program for the Single Subject Credential Option

Regular Implementation

A. David Nazarian College of Business and Economics

Systems and Operations Management

Course Modifications

- 1. BUS 302 – The Gateway Experience (3)
Change short title, requisites and course description
- 2. SOM 306 – Operations Management (3)
Change requisites and course description