

Educational Policies Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Status of Minutes: Approved 9/21/22

Attendees

Members Present: J. Anderson, L. Becker, J. DeBonis, K. Grote, Y. Mimura, T. Montaña, K. Taylor, D. Weingarten, T. Zirakian

Staff: D. Cours, K. Harris, J. Hunter

Guests: S. Andrews, J. Auerbach, C. Ayala-Alcantar, K. Baxter, T. Black, L. Campbell, K. Dabbour, L. Domine, R. Espinoza, M. Gammage, A. Glocke, C. Hayashi, X. Jia, B. Johnson, J. Kim, P. Lazarony, L. McDonald, K. Morgaine, R. Muller, A. Prata, R. RiVera Furumoto, D. Tamalis, B. Wightman, B. Wu, J. Yoo

I. Announcements

- A. D. Weingarten (chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting and announced that the 2022-2023 [Meeting Schedule](#) is posted on the EPC website.
- B. Members, associate deans and guests introduced themselves. D. Weingarten announced that the committee is still awaiting the appointment of the two presidential appointee members.
- C. D. Weingarten announced the curriculum review schedule for Fall 2022:
 1. 9/07/2022: New Experimental Topics, Early Implementation, General Education
 2. 9/21/2022: Previously Offered Experimental Topics, Selected Topics, Consent Calendar, HHD, HUM
 3. 10/05/2022: Meeting Canceled
 4. 10/19/2022: CSM, CECS
 5. 11/02/2022: SBS, MCCAMC
 6. 11/16/2022: DNCBE
 7. 12/07/2022: Returning Proposals

II. Business

- A. The minutes from 5/4/2022 were **MSP approved**.
- B. The Standing Committee Expectations were **MSP approved** for the 2022-2023 academic year.

The Educational Policies Committee resolves that the following constitute the minimum expectations of each of its members in the 2022-2023 academic year:

1. Attend the entirety of every meeting and participate actively in meetings.
2. Thoroughly and thoughtfully read all distributed materials prior to the meeting.
3. Volunteer for subcommittees or other tasks (such as serving as the EPC rep at program review meetings) as the need arises so that the workload can be spread fairly among members of the committee.
4. Ensure that the climate of the committee is conducive to all viewpoints receiving a full and fair hearing.

C. D. Weingarten provided a brief recap of the EPC Member Retreat on August 31.

D. D. Weingarten said it was decided at the retreat to continue discussion of the B5 SLOs. New members will be recruited to the subcommittee once all 2022-2023 EPC members have been appointed.

E. D. Weingarten and D. Cours reminded the committee of the standards for early implementation, proposal requirements, assessment, and financial resource implications.

F. Program Review Representatives

1. J. DeBonis volunteered to attend the Linguistics final MOU meeting on Monday, September 12 from 3 p.m.-4 p.m.
2. Y. Mimura volunteered to attend the Jewish Studies final MOU meeting Tuesday, September 20 from 4 p.m.-5 p.m.

G. Program Review Updates

1. K. Grote reported on the Jewish Studies external review exit meeting. The reviewer had a positive experience and provided accolades. More specific commendations and recommendations will be discussed at the final MOU meeting.
2. L. Becker reported on the Chemistry and Biochemistry final MOU exit meeting. The review, which focused on the Chemistry B.A. degree since the B.S. degrees are externally accredited, was a very positive meeting. Some of the recommendations included aligning advisement between the B.A. and B.S. degrees; exploring internship opportunities without adding units to the major; and discussing ways to reduce equity gaps in the major, service courses and GE courses.

H. New Experimental Topics Courses

College of Science and Mathematics

1. MATH 396G – Mathematical Problem Solving (3). **MSP approved.**

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

2. SOC 396H – The Sociology of Black Life (3). **Tabled** for further discussion between the departments of Africana Studies and Sociology.

I. Early Implementation Proposals

Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communications

Art

Course Modification

1. ART 430 – Drawing IV: Composition (3). **MSP approved** for Spring 2023 implementation.

Cinema and Television Arts

Course Modification

2. CTVA 363 – Fundamentals of Immersive Production (3). **MSP approved** for Spring 2023 implementation.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Political Science

New Course

3. POLS 494IB – Political Science Internship (3). **MSP approved** for Spring 2023 implementation.

J. General Education Courses

Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication

Cinema and Television Arts

New Course

1. CTVA 323 – Screen Storytelling (3). **MSP approved** with revision to the syllabus related to CTVA department SLO 2, and updated bibliography with the addition of more recent sources.

College of Humanities

English

New Course

2. ENGL 322 – Disability in Literature and Culture (3). **MSP approved.**

Philosophy

New Courses

3. PHIL 135 – Reasoning with Numbers (3). **MSP approved.**
4. PHIL 265 – Medical Ethics (3). **MSP approved.**

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Geography and Environmental Studies

New Course

5. GEOG 112/L – Climate Change and Lab (2/1). **MSP approved.**

Delete Courses

6. GEOG 111 – Understanding Climate Change (3). **MSP approved.**
7. GEOG 111L – Understanding Climate Change Lab (1). **MSP approved.**

History

New Course

8. HIST 202 – Critical Thinking in History (3). **Tabled** for clarification of consultations/re-consultation.
- K. D. Weingarten said AB 928 will be a recurring agenda item this academic year. He recently received three letters from A. Swenson, ASCSU executive committee member-at-large. The letters will be provided for EPC members to review for the next meeting.

In addition, it was asked whether EPC should be concerned about AB 927, community colleges offering bachelor's degrees. D. Cours said the degree proposals are submitted from the California Community Colleges to the CSU Chancellor's Office and then the campus provosts. Although there is currently a one-year moratorium, some proposals from last year are in discussion. All campus provosts were contacted to determine whether they have similar degrees. When a campus says yes, consultation occurs. D. Weingarten emphasized that if any faculty or departments are contacted directly, refer the request to the provost's office. The provost's office will reach out to all affected colleges and departments.

Meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.