

**Faculty Senate Minutes  
February 16, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Counseling & Human Development, and Music.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the February 2, 2016 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written with one abstention.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

GCPRC requested a waiver of the two meeting rule for consideration of prerequisite changes to ACTE 633 & ACTE 634. A Dreon/A. Miller motion to waive the two meeting rule ACTE 633 & ACTE 634 was approved without dissent.

**NEW GRADUATE COURSE**

- (1) SOWK 710: Research Methodology, 3 credits. Proposal for a new course connecting social science theory building and research was approved without dissent.
- (2) SOWK 730: Qualitative Analysis, 3 credits. Proposal for a new course to prepare students in qualitative study steps, data analysis, and ethics was approved without dissent.

**CHANGE TO GRADUATE COURSE**

- (3) EMGT 693: Field Experience Practicum. Proposal to change prerequisite was approved without dissent.
- (4) ACTE 633: Responding to Individual Learners. Proposal to change prerequisites was approved without dissent.
- (5) ACTE 634: Legal and Ethical Issues in Online Education. Proposal to change prerequisites was approved without dissent.

**CONSENT AGENDA: CHANGES**

- (6) PSYC 415: Physiological Psychology. Proposal to add PSYC 215 as a prerequisite was approved without dissent.
- (7) MUSI 368: International Music & Arts. Proposal to add G1 label was approved without dissent.

(8) ESCI 485: Air-Sea Interaction. Proposal to change prerequisites, dropping ESCI 364 and adding ESCI 369 was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Faculty Senate Chair Börger-Greco reminded senators that discussion on how study abroad fits into P and D GenEd designations and waivers will continue on March 1.

IV. Report of the Student Senate

None

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

**President**

President Anderson discussed the weather's impact on campus safety and class schedules, state budget funds in place currently, and upcoming work of the Strategic Advisory Council. MU interest in working with Millersville Borough and the state to open an additional public road approach to ease campus access was noted.

**Provost**

Provost Prabu encouraged faculty to address ways to making up course work missed due to weather. Further discussion highlighted confusion about classes starting in the middle of schedule sessions and the need for communication about plans and expectations. MU Video or screen capture were noted as mechanisms for students to interact with missed content. The CAE will be holding a session this semester on using the MU Video resource. Dr. Prabu also highlighted that the Honors College is hosting a conference on disabilities March 28 and the CAE has a March 1 session on enhancing accessibility of online content.

**Associate Provost**

Associate Provost Adams highlighted an on-campus meet and greet session with Dr. Marie Norman February 25 at noon and the Made in Millersville event featuring student presentations.

**Dean of AHSS**

Dean Umble announced an exhibit by Professor Robert Andriulli of Art & Design at the Winter Center Gallery and upcoming theater performances of *Rabbit Hole*. The value of faculty encouraging students to attend cultural events on campus was noted.

VII. Curricular Notices

The campus has been notified of the following proposals.

**CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSE**

(1) PSYC 415: Advanced Physiological Psychology. Proposal to change title.

(2) GEOG 227: Cities. Change title and update course description.

**NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSE**

(3) GEOG 242: London, 3 credits, G3, DL. Proposal for new course introducing basic geographic concepts and methods of analysis using London as a context.

**CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM**

(4) Anthropology minor, General Anthropology and Cultural Anthropology options. Proposal to modify requirements and options.

VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

**GERC**

Senator Baker distributed an update on GERC activity to update policies and Gen Ed label definitions. He cited consideration of study abroad connections to Gen Ed and the W/D/P recertification process as current issues for GERC.

**AOAC**

Dr. Schreiber distributed an update on Gen Ed criteria that relate to AOAC function. She discussed the development of rubrics for evaluating student progression in Gen Ed goals along with training sessions and videos being used to help faculty implement use of the rubrics. Dr. Schreiber encouraged faculty to participate in the annual Assessment Luncheon on March 18.

**UCPRC**

Dr. Dreon reported on DL approvals.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

X. Faculty Emeriti

None

XI. Other/New Business

Senators discussed a need for more resources on working with students on the autism spectrum, the value of earlier communication on needs, and a preference for hearing directly from students. Advising veterans was also noted as a place where enhanced information and communication would help faculty better meet unique needs.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller  
Faculty Senate Secretary

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