

Faculty Senate Minutes
March 15, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Art & Design, Athletics, Geography, and Government & Political Affairs.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the March 1, 2016 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

CHANGE TO POLICY

- (1) Proposal that students spending a full semester abroad would satisfy the D requirement was approved without dissent.

A change to the P course waiver for study abroad experiences was not considered yet.

NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (2) Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Proposal for new certificate program was approved without dissent was approved without dissent.
- (3) ENTR 501: Introduction to Entrepreneurship, 3 credits. Proposal for new course offering a broad overview of art, science, and process entrepreneurship was approved without dissent.
- (4) ENTR 510: Entrepreneurial Promotions and Branding, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to on fundamentals of sales promotions and creation of business and personal brands was approved without dissent.
- (5) ENTR 511: Entrepreneur: Networking & Sales, 3 credits. Proposal for new course exploring ways to create networks that improve entrepreneurial endeavors was approved without dissent.
- (6) ENTR 512: Conflict Resolution and Negotiation in Entrepreneurship, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to provide theory, guidelines, and skills to manage conflict in an entrepreneurial environment was approved without dissent.
- (7) ENTR 540: Entrepreneurship Capstone, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to tie together function aspects of an entrepreneurial initiative was approved without dissent.

- (8) ENTR 541: Topics in Entrepreneurship, 1 credit. Proposal for new course on varying current topics in entrepreneurship was approved without dissent.

CHANGE TO GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (9) Psychology. Proposal to adjust program around changes to PSYC 637 was approved without dissent.
- (10) PSYC 637: Theories of Family Dynamics. Proposal to change title, credits, and course objectives was approved without dissent.
- (11) NURS 501: Role Development and Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing. Proposal to change course title and objectives was approved without dissent.
- (12) NURS 698: Scholarly Project. Proposal to change delivery format was approved without dissent.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (13) ENGL 274: The Craft of Writing: Argumentation and Stylistics, 3 credits, G1. Proposal for course that explores writing as a varied set of deliberate, artful choices was approved without dissent.
- (14) ENGL 273: Writing in the Disciplines, 3 credits, G1, W. Proposal for course that examines writing across three major academic domains: sciences, social sciences, and humanities was approved without dissent.
- (15) HUMN 110: French Fairy Tales, 3 credits, G1. Proposal for new course in influential literature and cultural traditions was approved without dissent.
- (16) SPAN 203: Spanish for Heritage Speakers, 3 credits, G1. Proposal for new course to introduce formal Spanish study to students who were raised speaking Spanish was approved without dissent.
- (17) ITEC 477: Humanoid Robotics, 3 credits. Proposal for new course on developing intelligent robotics was approved without dissent.

CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (18) English BA. Concentration in Writing Studies. A new concentration in the BA in English was approved without dissent.
- (19) PSYC major. Proposal to modify elective course options was approved without dissent.
- (20) BS Automation & Intelligent Robotics Engineering Technology. Proposal to change required courses was approved without dissent.
- (21) BS Applied Engineering & Technology Management, Robotics and Control Systems Technology option. Proposal to change math prerequisite was approved without dissent.

(22) SPAN 361: Oral Spanish 1. Proposal to change title and prerequisite options was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Faculty Senate Chair Börger-Greco thanked Drs. Antonia Cardwell and Aimee Miller for designing the revised Senate webpage. She reminded ACFN, CSCI, ESCI, ECON, NURS, PHYS, PSYC, and WSSD departments to hold elections for their senator and alternate in 2016. She announced that elections for vacant committee seats will be held at April Senate meetings. Dr. Sam Earman, representing the Educator of the Year committee, announced Dr. Sepi Yalda as the 2016 award recipient. Finally, Dr. Shibley provided an update on the MU strategic plan.

IV. Report of the Student Senate

Incoming Student Senate President Justin Pierre reported that students will be surveyed about their perceptions on the per credit tuition model. He also reported that applications for the student trustee position will be taken until March 25, 2016.

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

President

President Anderson noted that the MU strategic plan continues to go through revisions in reflection of feedback and structural realities.

Associate Provost

Associate Provost Adams requested that faculty look for an announcement about an upcoming community discussion between faculty members and administrators. Dr. Adams also notified senate members about an upcoming assessment luncheon.

Dean

Dean DeSantis reported that summer schedule enrollment looks strong and that courses for the upcoming winter schedule will be solicited in April. He also reported the need for volunteers, primarily judges, at the Made in Millersville event. In reference to the summer courses, Dr. Börger-Greco noted concerns about courses being cancelled early because many students, especially graduate students, wait to enroll until the last minute because they do not want to pay for courses far ahead of a time when they might be reimbursed for the tuition by their work place. Dean DeDantis said that program directors

may negotiate 2 weeks before a course is slated to start to keep a course if they know for sure that more students will register.

VII. Curricular Notices

The campus has been notified of the following proposals.

CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSE

- (1) MUSI 290: Music Industry. Proposal to change course number.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSE

- (2) MUSI 294: Live Audio Production, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that explores the technology and techniques necessary to produce concerts in a variety of venues.
- (3) MUSI 380: History of the Recording Industry, 3 credits. Proposal for new course about invention and implementation of various recording devices and formats and impact on artists and audiences.
- (4) MUSI 390: Marketing and Promotion in the Music Industry, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to provide a comprehensive understanding of marketing and promotion in the music industry.
- (5) MUSI 397: International Music Business, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that examines the cultural, technological, and financial components of the international music industry.
- (6) MUSI 398: Songwriting and Composition, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that explores techniques necessary to write and produce commercial pop songs and scores for radio, film, commercials, and video games.
- (7) MUSI 490: Music Management Capstone, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that applies concepts in the music industry through an entrepreneurial approach by developing a business plan and launching a project into the real world.

VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

GERC

Senator Baker noted he would be distributing a proposal recommending removal of the P label waiver for study abroad experiences from P documentation now that these waivers are included in D instead.

APC

Senator Adyanga distributed a new academic policy on credit hours with a revision of language stating “earn one credit hour” changed to “earn 1.5 credit hours.”

JSC

Senator Cook reported on development of a survey to collect campus perceptions about the Common Hour.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

X. Faculty Emeriti

None

XI. Other/New Business

Senator Zimmerman indicated a need for more G1 courses to be offered during Winter sessions.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ryan Orr
Senator

Action Summary:

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