

Faculty Senate Minutes
April 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Accounting & Finance, Athletics, Counseling & Human Development, History, Interdisciplinary Studies, and Sociology & Anthropology.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the March 6, 2018 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written.

Proposals considered electronically from the cancelled March 20, 2018 meeting were reported approved. The specific items are noted in these minutes.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

- (1) THEA 310: Costume for Stage and Media, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (2) GEOG 296: GIS II: Raster Data Analysis, 3 credits, DL. Proposal for a new course was approved without dissent.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- (3) BA Entertainment Technology. Proposal for curriculum defining a new degree program was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

- (4) CHEM 104: General, Organic and Biochemistry 2. Proposal to change the pre-requisites was approved without dissent.
- (5) DESN 243: Creativity, Innovation, Human-Centered Design Thinking. Proposal to change course prefix was approved without dissent.
- (6) ENGL 472: Digital Portfolio. Proposal to change name and update course description was approved without dissent.
- (7) BUAD 358: Management Science. Proposal to change prerequisites was approved without dissent.
- (8) SPED 311: Design and Implementation of Instruction. Proposal to add W label was approved without dissent.
- (9) WSSD 410: International Sport Issues and Industry Tour. Proposal to change pre-requisites was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- (10) Art & Design: Studio Art minor. Proposal to remove language that ART 100 & ART 141 cannot count towards the minor BDES was approved without dissent.
- (11) Art & Design: Art History minor. Proposal to update and expand elective courses within the degree was approved without dissent.
- (12) BA English, Writing Studies option. Proposal to update courses in the curriculum was approved without dissent.
- (13) BA Geography, Global Studies option. Proposal to redesign the curriculum of the degree was approved without dissent.
- (14) Management & Marketing: Business, General Business option (2+2 completion). Proposal for new 2+2 structure using existing, DL-approved courses for online completion of a business degree beginning with an associate degree in business was approved without dissent.
- (15) Psychology: retention in major policy. Proposal to extend review window through junior year (89.5 credits) was approved without dissent.

NEW GRADUATE COURSES

- (16) NURS 515: Advanced Nursing Practice Clinical Practicum, 3 credits, DL. Proposal for a new course was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO GRADUATE COURSES

- (17) SOWK 610: Advanced Micro Practice and Assessment. Proposal to change the course title, description, and learning outcomes was approved without dissent.
- (18) SOWK 620: Advanced Practice with Groups and Families. Proposal to change the course title, description, and learning outcomes was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- (19) MS Nursing, Nurse Educator track. Proposal to add a course to the program was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Chair Walsh invited faculty to an event to meet the new Millersville President. She shared information on the Preferred Name policy and a survey on defining Diversity and Inclusion. Dr. Walsh also urged faculty to attend commencements in regalia, providing an option for access to regalia if needed. The summer Senate meeting was set for June 5 at 3:00 p.m. Information on nominations will be sent soon for committee elections at the next two meetings.

IV. Report of the APSCUF President

President K. Smith announced a visit from State APSCUF President on April 19 and a bowling social on May 4.

V. Report of the Student Senate

Student Senate President Luckenbill introduced Mr. John Tintera, President-Elect. Mr. Luckenbill also reported on a successful Big Event.

VI. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VII. Report of the Administrative Officers

Provost

Provost Prabhu noted Millersville's first doctoral degrees will be awarded at the graduate commencement. He also highlighted the Women in Math & Sciences Conference being held today on campus and higher enrollment for fall. Dr. Prabhu commented on 5-year program reviews and indicated revised documentation will be available online. He also reminded faculty of the upcoming withdrawal date and non-attendance check point.

A question was raised about enrollment cut offs for summer courses, suggesting that course cancellations are impacting student registration. An option to allow faculty to elect to teach low-enrollment courses based on CE pay is being discussed. It was noted that exceptions made are driven by student needs.

Acting Associate Provost

Acting Associate Provost DeSantis thanked faculty for supporting the student work to be presented at Made in Millersville on April 17. He also noted solid summer enrollments about on par with recent years.

VIII. Curricular Notices

The Geography Department indicated it will have representation for 2018-19 on both Science & Technology and Social Sciences Area Curriculum Committees.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

- (1) PSYC 483: Applied Ethology, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to be cross-listed with BIOL 483.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- (2) Communications & Theatre: Musical Theatre minor. Proposal outlining the curriculum for a new minor.

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- (3) BDES. Proposal to modify course requirements and options.
- (4) BA Economics, including General Economics, Financial Economics, Political Economics, and Quantitative Economics options. Proposal to adjust course options.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

GCPRC

CHANGES TO GRADUATE COURSES

- (5) NURS 512: Advanced Health Assessment Across the Life Span. Proposal to adjust lab component.
- (6) SOWK 630: Advanced Field Practicum I. Proposal to change course credits and description.
- (7) SOWK 631: Advanced Field Practicum II. Proposal to change course credits and description.

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- (8) Master of Social Work. Proposal to adjust course requirements.

GERC

Senator Baker reviewed the proposal from GERC to add a specification to the GenEd Program that students may count no more than two courses from a single department across all G1/G2/G3 areas. This seeks to maintain significant breadth in general education courses given that a single department may now offer courses in more than one G-block. Concerns were raised about some departments housing a range of programs and having substantial breadth in courses offered. It was suggested that GERC might revisit the concept of this limitation across the board, though changes could shift enrollments that impact course labeling and availability. Further discussion with departments was encouraged before a vote is taken.

Honors College

Guidelines to assist with honors thesis completion were distributed. This document is not a policy but should be adapted by departments to best meet student needs.

X. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

XI. Faculty Emeriti

A Powers/Robinson motion that Dr. Joseph C. Labant be granted the honorary title of Assistant Professor of Early, Middle, and Exceptional Education Emeritus was approved without dissent.

XII. New Business

Senator Sciarretta recommended that faculty remind students of the withdrawal date. He also thanked faculty for their interest in student well-being with a reminder of the Behavior Intervention Team available to follow up with students about potential problems of an immediate concern where behaviors potentially endanger their own or others' health and safety.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller
Faculty Senate Secretary

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