CAB Minutes

May 10, 2013
SSC 122-124
1:03 - 3:22 PM

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Guests: Anthony Graybosch, Zanja Yudell, John Mahoney, Jacque Chase, Laird Easton, Jason Clower, LaDona Knigge

1. Appointment of Tim Sistrunk and Brooke Myrman as note-takers

   - Food Studies: Julie Schneider, NFS (absent)
   - Global Development Studies: Jacque Chase, GEOG
   - Great Books and Ideas: Laird Easton, HIST
   - Health and Wellness: Jason Clower, CORH
   - Science, Technology and Values: LaDona Knigge, GEOG

3. Announcements and emergent issues
   a. Kate: The Pathway Coordinators need to check the Fall semester schedule to see if Pathway courses are being offered and how many students are being accommodated
   b. Bill encouraged everyone to fill out the LMS Faculty survey sent out by Chancellor’s office
   c. Kim: Draft of new GE planning sheet was passed around and Coordinators were encouraged to comment
      - new features include Pathway associations with Foundation courses on same page
      - an attempt to clarify the relationship of the capstone designation and WI status (this will require more discussion)
   d. Kim: Sheet comparing Current Students: Remaining G.E. Requirements as of 2/25/13 and 5/4/13 shows improvements overall, but still highlights bottlenecks at B1, B2, US Constitution State & Local Government, GC and USD. There are seats available in Area A2, A4. Currently, there are 12000 seats available for new students, last year there were 8,000; this means incoming students will be able to take a full load! There will be 2800 additional seats in GE in the Fall semester; 2100 in Foundation area for American Institutions.

4. Approved 4/12/13 minutes

5. Replacement of Coordinator for Ethics, Justice and Policy (Fall 2013)
   a. Ryan Patten on sabbatical
   b. Anthony Graybosch willing to be coordinator for the Fall
a. CAB needs an email from Department Chair signing off release time  
c. Approved as replacement pending Department Chair email  
a. Tim: moved Eugenie: seconded  

**Motion passed: unanimously**

a. Bill thought it would be a good idea to be sure that Coordinators send some assurance from their Chairs that they can be spared for this duty

6. MEST 110: Application for International Studies Pathway and GC status  
a. Applying to replace ASST 110 to serve during alternating semesters with AAST 110 and to receive GC status. It will be taught in the Spring.  
b. Sara: moved Ryan: seconded  

**Motion passed**  
Yea: 9  Nay: 1

7. POLS 459D: Application for capstone substitution status  
a. Ryan explained how course has a social science orientation and that research will be on criminal justice matters.  
b. Bill: moved Sara: seconded  

**Motion passed: unanimously**

8. Writing Assessment for Spring  
a. Kate still needs some assignment titles from targeted courses in the Pathways  
b. She will send out directions about how students and faculty need to upload their assignments for evaluations soon.  
c. Pathway Coordinators and volunteers will receive training in norming from Chris Fosen. This will be last meeting of CAB.  
d. Results from last semester’s Assessments are still outstanding.

9. Review of Honors Courses: Pathway associations, disciplinary areas, WI status, GC/USD status (Updated course information sent directly to CAB members from John Mahoney)

Proposed curriculum is to be an action item at Senate next Thursday.

- **HNRS 200 I, “Honors Survey of Civilization”**: Requesting Areas A2, C1, C2, D1, D2, E; Pathway Associations for FS, GSS, GDS, GBI, IS, STV, S; GC and WI  
  o **Motion passed: unanimously**

- **HNRS 201 I “Beauty”**: Requesting Areas A2, C1, C2, E; Pathway Associations for FS, GBI, STV; also WI  
  o Tim Sistrunk pointing out that Senate has questions about double counting  
    - Students are choosing one of a particular area, not to fulfill both  
    - Trusting students to make decisions about what is being satisfied  
    - Decision is not entirely up to them; student will be advised by Faculty
Honors is different: More intensity of contact and discussion between student and faculty; benefit of being in Honors program, cannot be replicated for all 15,000 students (Bill Loker can reiterate points to Senate if needed)

- What if a student fell out of the program?
  - Intention is to have Honors blend in with GE requirements
  - Eugenie: Not sure if the seminar truly covers the science requirements
  - Moved to approve as positioned in matrix
  - Will there be any assessment of classes, demonstrate strength in areas?
    - Only Foundation Area courses get reapproved (area A); not fair to Honors to make them be reapproved
    - Courses in GE that meet the requirements still vary by professor teaching

- Motion passed: Yea: 10  Nay: 0  Abstain: 2

- HNRS 202 “Nature”: Requesting Area B1, B2, C2, E; Pathway Associations FS, GBI, STV, S
  - Sustainability would like to hold off until lab component is more developed; proof of Scientific Method. Great Books and Ideas would like more information regarding lab activities as well.
  - Honors would like to incorporate lab activities that are more experiential in nature
  - Lack of application of the Scientific Method—Syllabus shows experiences in nature but no practice and application of the scientific method (required for areas B1 and B2)
    - Jim: Fine with content of the course, however students do not get the same experience with the application of the Scientific Method
    - Eugenie: Application of Scientific Method required for B course approval
  - We require more labs than the State of California (CA requires 1, we require 2); In the past we have not approved any GE science without a lab/activity (for area B, not UD); labs are 3 hours, activities are 2
    - Honors’ concern is that 3 units are being offered for HNRS class, and if lab is added it would turn into a 4 unit course
  - Will this affect requirements? Create additional units that need to be taken?
    - Honors: Depends on the student and AP credits they have coming in, many students they will need to come in and take a B course
  - Bill: Many sciences are largely field-oriented
  - Sara: Maybe the course should be four hours a week and four units due to the additional requirement
  - Suggestions:
    - Add lab/activity (extra hour)
    - Add Scientific Method aspect of class
    - Suggest honors report back in a year
  - EM states all B classes will have a lab component
  - Bill motions to approve as is
    - Motion defeated: Yea: 5  Nay: 6
  - Sara moves to provisionally approve based on elaboration of Scientific Method-type lab activities and consultation of volunteers, as well as reporting back in one calendar year (regarding request for Area B)
    - Eugenie: No process to reevaluate, shouldn’t B status only be granted if it is proven to be B status?
    - Honors faculty may live up to expectations as they have in the past
    - Motion passed: Yea: 8  Nay: 3

- HNRS 203 I “Virtue”: Requesting A2, C2, D1, D2, E and WI; Requesting all Pathway Associations besides Gender and Sexuality
Motion to accept as proposed
- Motion passed: Yea: 10  Nay: 0  Abstain: 1

*HNRS 204 Truth*: Areas A3, C2, D1, D2, E; Pathway Associations for FS, DS, HW, GDS, GBI, STV, S, EJP, IS; GC Status
- Syllabus was revised to add more GC
- How will Honors make a course work with nine different pathway associations, including pathway themed content
- Pathway Coordinators should all respond individually regarding approval for their pathway
- Motion to accept as proposed
  - Motion passed: Yea: 8  Nay: 2  Abstain: 1

*HNRS 310 I “Agents of Change”: Area UD-D; Pathway Associations DS, EJP, GDS; WI*
- Motion to accept as proposed
  - Motion passed: unanimously

*HNRS 320 I “Science & Human Values”: Area UD-B, UD-C; Pathway Associations EJP, GBI, STV, GSS; WI*
- Diversity studies withdraws concerns
- Move to approve including Diversity Studies pathway
  - Motion passed: unanimously

*HNRS 330 I “Mind in the Machine”: Areas UD-B and UD-D; Pathway Associations HW, GBI, STV; WI*
- Motion to accept as proposed
  - Motion passed: unanimously

*HNRS 340 I “Men, Women, and the Land”: Areas UD-B and UD-C; Pathway Associations GBI, STV, S, FS (added-Gender and Sexuality); WI; USD*
- Atwood reading is being changed
- Would Honors want UD-D if it was not approved for B?
  - Class does have focus on genetically modified animals for human means and other scientific content
- Are we okay if this is the only science GE students take?
- Jesse move to approve for C & D
  - Motion passed: unanimously

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- In the future it will be a two part process, student thesis will have to be approved by a pathway coordinator, proposals would have to get approval for disciplinary idea that has not yet been taken (EX> took classes in B and C, thesis would be in D
- Sara moves it is approved as presented
  - Motion passed: Unanimously

10. Other (none)
11. Adjourn: 3:22

Next Meeting: Friday 5/24/13, 1-3 PM, SSC 122-124 (WI assessment only)