

MINUTES

Meeting Date: 4/13/2016
Time: 2:30-4:00pm
Place: ROWE 420

Voting Members and Alternates in attendance: E. Donkor (Chair), K. Baumbauer (SoN), P. Bedore (Regional Campuses), L. Burton (Neag), H. Freake (CAHNR), L. Gramling (SoB), D. Grant (SoPh), S. Motaref (SoE),

Ex Officio Members in attendance: M. Buck, J. Chancey, D. Ouimette, K. Perry, B. Settje, M. van Beusekom

Administrators and Guests: J. Clausen, J. Lease-Butts, R. O'Neill, W. Price, C. Galli (Admin)

Meeting called to order at 2:31pm

1. Welcome

Eric Donkor called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda. He noted that IISP presented a report on 2600/4600W at the March meeting therefore, there is no need for further review at this meeting.

Eric Donkor referenced the 2015-2016 UICC Annual Report that had been distributed to committee members last week and asked for feedback. M. van Beusekom noted that the report referred to administrative support provided by a Program Assistant shared with other curricular committees and the Individualized & Interdisciplinary Studies Program. This is no longer accurate. The report will be corrected.

2. Approval of Minutes

Eric Donkor called for approval of minutes from 3/23/2016. M. van Beusekom referred to the 3rd bullet in 3.1 and clarified that students are admitted by permission number. Further, there is no cap in program admission. Approximately 60 student are admitted each year. Current staffing levels are appropriate to the current number of students being admitted. The Capstone Course is filled every semester.

There was a motion and second to approve minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. New Business

3.1. Course Shell Realignment Presentation – Honors Program

Attachment #1

S. Motaref noted the absence of an Engineering faculty member from UNIV 3784. J. Chancey shared that there have been attempts to recruit an Engineering faculty member. She encouraged interested faculty to reach out to her.

4. UNIV Course Realignment Reviews

a. UNIV 2230 – The PA2SS Program, Mentoring African American Students

Dr. Willena Price offered an overview of the course. Discussion followed on the topic of course numbering and if this course is properly numbered as 1820. D. Ouimette acknowledged that this could be reviewed as it is a question that has been brought up before.

H. Freake asked about the visibility of the class and how students know to sign up for it. W. Price responded that students are contacted frequently following the May 1st UConn commitment deadline. African American students are contacted via listserv, social media and other methods. Although the course is open to all students, the majority of the class is African American students.

b. UNIV 2500 – Gender, Sexuality and Community

A representative from the course was not available to attend the meeting. The committee reviewed the report. A clarification was provided that the + in LGBTQ+ is meant as an effort to be more inclusive.

All courses scheduled for report in April 2016 were approved.

5. **VAMP Courses Review – Kris Perry**

a. **UNIV 3093**

Kris Perry gave an overview of the course. E. Donkor asked if this course is available on all campuses. K. Perry clarified that it is. Students will need to meet with K. Perry to obtain materials, guidance and to complete paper. Regional students will travel to Storrs for this meeting.

Following a question from E. Donkor about the grading basis, a discussion ensued about S/U –vs- T on the transcript. J. Chancey noted that this is an earned credit not a transfer credit from another institution. There was overall agreement that it should be listed as S/U on the transcript however, the final decision is made by the Registrar's Office.

There was a motion and second to approve the course. The course was approved unanimously.

b. Catalog copy change/update to all MISI/AIRF courses

Eric Donkor informed members that discussions with Senate C&C indicate that UICC has the prerogative to review in mass the MISI/AIRF catalog course listing. This was to clarify an issue raised by H. Freake at the Feb. 17 meeting (see item 3.4 of the minutes). Larry Gramling further clarified that as a procedural matter approval and inclusion of the 1000 and 2000 need not be retroactive, pending Senate C&C approval, as suggested by Eric Donkor.

The AIRF courses as presented were discussed. There were some spelling/grammar changes suggested.

The MISI courses as presented were discussed. M. Buck noted that she will need to check on the ability to include lower case letters in the course titles. K. Perry responded that whether it is lower or upper case is at the discretion of the Registrar's Office.

L. Burton motion acceptance of all changes; L. Gramling seconded. The motion to approve the catalog copy updates with the recommended changes was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:59pm