University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire

University Liberal Education Committee
Monday, February 3, 2014
Council Oak 260, Davies Center


Guests: M. Cassidy, J. Fager, J. Pratt

Presiding: M. Goulet, Chair

Convened: 2:03 PM

Meeting Minutes

1. Announcements
   - ULEC will have a standing meeting time of 2 PM on Mondays
   - M. Goulet chose not to bring the math courses back for approval until he has a conversation with T. Perchinsky to get clarity on what we currently do and have his questions answered. They will be meeting next week.
     - Current policy states that if a student places into the Math 109 suite of courses and is allowed to take a course beyond it because of other supporting evidence, and they pass the course, they are granted BA competency
     - A. Smith stated that a lot of students are enrolling in Math 111 and receiving a D, department feels students should be held to a standard, would like to change the policy
   - If anyone has questions surrounding a course up for consideration, please send M. Goulet the question in advance if possible. This will allow M. Goulet the opportunity to send the question(s) anonymously onto the proposer to get clarification and save time

2. Consideration of course proposals/revisions for GE designation
   - Motion to approve SPAN/LAS 354 for GE IVD designation, seconded, approved (B. Miller opposed)

3. Consideration of course proposals/revisions for LE Designation
   - Motion to approve BCOM 206 and BCOM 207, seconded
     - Following discussion, it was decided to pull the courses (without objection) and return to the proposer with a request that she address the elements of the rubric
   - Motion to approve HIST 124 and HIST 125 for LE designation (K3, R2), seconded, approved (M. Johnson opposed)
   - Motion to approve PHYS 211 for LE designation (K1), seconded, approved

4. Miscellaneous business
   - M. Johnson requested information on the discussion taking place in regards to reducing the number of experiences from 21 to 15, where is it at, what is going to the Senate Exec Committee
   - M. Wood asked for volunteers to read 5 to 6 essays (1000-1200 words) submitted for the 2013-2014 Liberal Arts Essay Scholarship Competition. This year’s topic surrounds William Cronon’s essay, “Only Connect”. Can send as many as three to the state level.

Adjourned at: 2:35 PM
Submitted by: S. Forcier
Approved: 2.17.14