

MINUTES
Curriculum and Requirements Committee Meeting
December 14, 1999
8:00 a.m. – CoH 2025A

Committee members present: Jackie Berning, Louis Cicotello, Rebecca Laroche, Ron Ruminski, Maryanne Wanca-Thibault, and Linda Watts.
Ex officio members present: Barbara Schiff and Tom Wynn.
Secretary: Lori L. Fujimoto

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of November 9, 1999, were approved as submitted.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Add GES 325, The Geology of Climate Change, to Natural Science requirement.** Mary Mack presented overview. **Approved.**
2. **Add COMM 426, Organizational Communication in the Global Environment, as a new course.** Maryanne Wanca-Thibault addressed the concerns from the November 9 meeting. **Approved.**
3. **Cross list HUM courses.** Robert Sackett addressed the concerns from the October 12 meeting. After considerable discussion, the committee voted to recommend that the issue should be approached as suggested in option b from the October 12 meeting – majors should be encouraged to take the courses and then they could be counted towards the major.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Add PHIL 430, Consciousness, as a new course.** Rex Welshon presented overview. **Approved.**

Contingent on the receipt of the original Course Inventory Form signed by the department chairman.

2. **Format change for THTR 100, Introduction to Theatre.** Teresa Jillson presented overview. **Approved.**

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C. NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

3. **Change BIOL 211 back to BIOL 113, Plant Biology.** Sandra Berry-Lowe presented overview. Approved.

Recommendations: This is actually a request to add BIOL 113 and remove BIOL 211. In order to eliminate BIOL 211, a separate Course Inventory Form must be filled out.

4. **Add BIOL 384, Genetics Laboratory.** Sandra Berry-Lowe presented overview. Approved.

5. **Add BIOL 497/697 Research Practicum in Immunology.** Sandra Berry-Lowe presented overview. Approved.

6. **Add BIOL 485/585, Molecular Biology Laboratory.** Sandra Berry-Lowe presented overview. Tabled.

Recommendations: Committee would like to see the specific course content and information on how this course would fit with existing Biology courses.

7. **Add BIOL 430, Evolution.** Jon Pigage presented overview. Approved.

Recommendations: Prerequisite could be waived at the discretion of the instructor.

8. **Change name of BIOL 484/584, From: Molecular Genetics, To: Molecular Biology. Change name BIOL 486/586, From: Biochemistry & Molecular Laboratory, To: Biochemistry Laboratory.** Tabled.

Contingent on the approval of the Chemistry Department as these are cross listed courses.

9. **Revision of Chemistry course credit hours: CHEM 337, CHEM 338, CHEM 420, CHEM 451, CHEM 452, CHEM 454, and CHEM 455.** Al Schoffstall presented overview. Tabled.

Recommendations: 1) Committee requests an accounting of actual clock hours for these courses and details on what exactly is being reduced. 2) Committee would like a comparison of the major before and after these changes are made and an assessment of the impact of these credit changes on the major.

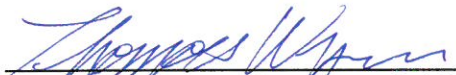
10. **ENGL 135, add "course cannot be repeated for credit".** Tom Napierkowski presented overview. Approved.

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D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Teresa Jillson and Louis Cicotello presented a VAPA policy proposal on the use of VAPA department courses for Humanities Area requirements. The committee recommended that the policy be presented to the LAS faculty.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



Tom Wynn, Associate Dean LAS



Linda Watts, Chair C&R Committee

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