

Minutes of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
September 9, 2011
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Members present: Robert Knight (Chair), College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; Leslie Feigenbaum, College of Architecture; Lynn Burlbaw, College of Education and Human Development; John Tyler, Dwight Look College of Engineering; Sarah Bednarz, College of Geosciences; Mike Stephenson, College of Liberal Arts; Liesl Wesson, Mays Business School; Suzanne Shurtz, Medical Sciences Library; Glenn Jones, Texas A&M University at Galveston; Kristin Harper (for Lesia Crumpton-Young), Undergraduate Studies; Karen Snowden (for James Herman), College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; Brody Smith, Student Representative.

Guests: Fidel Fernandez, Department of Biomedical Engineering; David McMahon, Career Center; Stephanie Harris and Christoph Konrad, Department of European and Classical Languages and Cultures; Donnalee Dox, Religious Studies Program; Sarah Gatson, Department of Sociology.

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following:

1. The minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting.
2. New Courses

BMEN 425. Biophotonics. (3-0). Credit 3. Theory and application of optical instrumentation, including light sources, lasers, detectors, and optical fibers; instrumentation and engineering in biomedical applications of optics in therapeutics, diagnostics, and biosensing. Prerequisites: Admitted into the major degree sequence in biomedical engineering; junior or senior classification.

CLAS 220. History of Christianity: Origins to the Reformation. (3-0). Credit 3. History of Christian doctrine, ecclesiastical organization, and religious practice, origins through Reformation, with emphasis on religion and society; life and teachings of Jesus; apostolic church; patristic period; Christianization of Roman Empire and northern Europe; monasticism; medieval church; Gregorian reform; heresy; papal monarchy; schism and conciliarism; reformations of the sixteenth century. Cross-listed with HIST 220 and RELS 220.

CLAS 250. Greek and Roman Civilization. (3-0). Credit 3. Introduction to the civilizations of classical antiquity from Bronze Age Greece to the dissolution of the Roman Empire; examination of major social, intellectual, and political developments in ancient Greece and Rome.

CLAS 418. European Intellectual History from Ancient Greece to the Early Middle Ages. (3-0). Credit 3. Political and social history of selected major figures and important movements in political theory, literature, sociology, art, economics and philosophy from Pre-Socratic Greece through the formative stages of the Christian Middle Ages. Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor. Cross-listed with HIST 418 and RELS 418.

UGST 492. Cooperative Education in Public Policy. Credit 1 to 3. Educational work assignment in public policy setting related to student's career interest and course of study; supervision of the student will be by the cooperating employer and the instructor; reports, approved by course instructor, will be required. May be taken two times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification and participation in Public Policy Internship Program.

VLCS 422. Equine Disease and Epidemiology. (3-0). Credit 3. Principles and methods of epidemiology applied to equine health and prevention and control of selected equine infectious diseases. Prerequisite: Enrollment in equine certificate and junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.

3. Change in Courses

CLAS 491. Research.

Course description and prerequisites

From: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in classical studies. Prerequisites: 23 hours of Classics with at least 9 at 300-level or above; approval of department head.

To: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in classical studies. May be taken three times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification and approval of department head.

EURO 491. Research.

Course description and prerequisites

From: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in European languages and cultures. Prerequisites: 24 hours in courses taught in EURO department with at least 9 at 300-level or above; approval of department head.

To: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in European languages and cultures. May be taken three times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification and approval of department head.

FREN 491. Research.

Course description and prerequisites

From: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in French. Prerequisites: 24 hours of French with at least 9 at 300-level or above; approval of department head.

To: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in French. May be taken three times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification and approval of department head.

GERM 491. Research.

Course description and prerequisites

From: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in German. Prerequisites: 24 hours of German with at least 9 at 300-level or above; approval of department head.

To: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in German. May be taken three times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification and approval of department head.

RUSS 491. Research.

Course description and prerequisites

From: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in Russian.
Prerequisites: 24 hours of Russian with at least 9 at 300-level or above;
approval of department head.

To: Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in Russian. May
be taken three times for credit. Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification
and approval of department head.

4. Change in Curriculum

College of Liberal Arts

Department of European and Classical Languages and Cultures

B.A. in Classics

Greek and Latin Language Concentrations

5. Other Business

- Brief discussion on learning outcomes for undergraduate courses (Texas S.B. 1726).
- Galveston will get back with us on proposed deadlines for Galveston agenda items.
- Check GSC room availability for December meeting (Thursday, 8th) – possible reschedule as finals start on the 9th.