MINUTES OF THE UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING October 27, 2015

Members Present: C. Adler, M. Anderson, T. Barton, C. Dominguez, B. Fox N. Goldschmied, R. Gonzalez, J. Gorsky, R. Kaufmann, J. Kua, C. Martinez, R. Monge, B. O'Shea, A. Pulido, C. Ruiz, S. Sgoutas-Emch, M. Stufft, S. Tammelleo, I. Williams, L. Williamson, S. Yard

Guests: S. Garcia, A. Gisiger, G. Jones, M. Magnin, M. Mayer, J. Medina, J. Mills, K. Moran, J. Patterson

Ron Kaufmann brought the meeting to order at 12:15 pm

Announcements:

- Ron Kaufmann Explored the possibility of extending existing meetings or adding additional meetings in order to cover all the materials. The general consensus was to schedule longer meetings. UCC members were also asked if they could serve as a resource in guiding departments through the submission process. The general consensus was in favor of this role.
- Noelle Norton Provided a handout that covered key items to remember while reviewing ATF reports. Namely, that the current process promotes the maximum input from faculty. Furthermore, changes to the Core entails changes across other areas of campus, not just for students and faculty.

Old Business:

- Non-Expedited Actions
 - HIST 395 Public History
 - The discussion centered on the feasibility of the workload.

No objections. Approved 19/0/0

New Business:

- Expedited Actions
 - o ENVI 499 Independent Study
 - o MARS 499 Independent Study
 - o MATH 499 Independent Study
 - o PHIL 499 Independent Study

No objections. Approved 19/0/0

- Non-Expedited Actions
 - o BIOL 294 Special Topics
 - o COMP 310 Operating Systems
 - HIST course renumbering
 - o HUMN program changes
 - o MUSC course changes
 - o NEUR 305 Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience

- Discussion centered on the need for the multiple Psychology prerequisites.
 The Psychology representative stressed the importance on the techniques and background provided in the prerequisite courses.
- The department is to provide the DRF to UCC members. This will include the rationale provided by the department representative.

Motion by N. Goldschmied. Seconded. Approved 14/3/2

- o POLS course changes
- o POLS 355 Politics in Europe
- o POLS 377 Regional Security
- o THEA 205 Creative Mind
 - Course sent back to department for additional revision

All others stand Approved

Old Business:

- Proposal for change to language in written literacy for the Core Curriculum
 - o There was discussion about the nature of the work involved in teaching writing in languages other than English, in comparison to W courses in English.

Motion carries. Approved 14/2/3

New Business

- ATF Reports
 - o Artistic Inquiry. Accepted 19/0/0 (submitted as separate report)
 - o Ethical Inquiry. **Accepted 19/0/0** (submitted as separate report)

Remaining ATF reports will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:17 pm.