

INSTRUCTION COUNCIL
December 12, 2008
204 Whitehurst
MINUTES

Present: Raj Basu, Celeste Campbell, Bruce Crauder, Bob Davis, Shiretta Ownbey, Mark Payton, Chris Ross, Mark Weiser, Kevin Moore, Larry Hoberock, Bavette Miller, and Gail Gates.

1. D2L – Tina Meier

Item was postponed to next agenda.

2. Curricular Request

College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

Course Requests

Course requests approved. Dr. Gates mentioned that Instruction Council should discuss multi-institutional consortiums in the future.

College of Arts & Sciences

ENGLISH, MS (086)

Program Modification: Option Name Change

Option Name Change from Technical Writing to Professional Writing.

The College of Arts and Sciences at Oklahoma State University requests a degree program name change as the new name is more consistent with the content of the program and with current national trends.

Members approved option name change.

Course Requests

Dr. Payton had some concerns regarding ZOO 5623 but the department head of Statistics was notified and did not respond.

Course requests approved.

Spears School of Business

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (035)

And

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, PhD (036)

Program Modification: Option Additions

Option Additions: Entrepreneurship

The Spears School of Business at Oklahoma State University requests the option addition as the Spears School of Business has received private funds to support an entrepreneurship program.

Members approved option addition.

Course Requests

Members had concerns about ECON 6233, Time Series Econometrics, and asked that the department consider changing the title. Dr. Payton will schedule a meeting with Arts & Sciences, Business and Agriculture to discuss this issue.

Members also expressed concerns with the title, Imagination, for EEE 3663 and EEE 5663. Members suggested that the title be changed to "Imagination in Entrepreneurship".

Course requests approved pending title changes for the three courses.

College of Education

Course Requests

Course requests approved.

College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology

**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, MS (145)
And
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, PhD (146)
Program Modification: Change of Program Names**

Change of Program Names to Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.

The School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at Oklahoma State University requests the change of program name to accurately reflect the name of the school and the material to which the students are exposed. Also, the proposed change will make the name of the graduate degree consistent with names of many other aerospace and mechanical engineering programs across the country.

Members approved program name change.

Course Requests

Course requests approved pending a change of the title to "Nuclear Technologies in Society: Fulfilling Madame Curie's Dream".

College of Human Environmental Sciences

Course Requests

Course requests approved pending approval from Philosophy on the HDF5 4823, Ethics and Aging.

Graduate College

Course Requests

Members questioned why the GENE 5102 was housed in the Graduate College and Dr. Payton responded that at one time there was an initiative to have a central genetics area and the Graduate College was selected as the home.

Course requests approved.

Center for Veterinary Health Sciences

Course Requests

Course Requests Approved.

Oklahoma State University – Center for Health Sciences

FORENSIC SCIENCES, MS
Program Modification: Option Addition

Option Additions: (1) Forensic Science Administration and (2) Forensic Document Examination
The Center for Health Sciences at Oklahoma State University requests one option addition to replace the Master of Forensic Science Administration which is being deleted and another option that has been an emphasis in the program.

Members approved the option addition.

MASTER OF FORENSIC SCIENCE ADMINISTRATION (003)
Program Modification: Program Deletion

The Center for Health Sciences at Oklahoma State University requests the program deletion as enrollment does not meet the minimum needed to maintain the program. An option of Forensic Science Administration will be added to the Forensic Sciences, MS program.

Members approved the program deletion.

Course Requests

Dr. Crauder asked that the Center for Health Sciences talk with related A&S departments regarding the BIOM 6713 and 6723. Courses approved pending discussions between the Center for Health Sciences and Arts and Sciences.

3. Special Fee Requests – Gail Gates

Members approved the special fee summary and the additional request for Agriculture's graduate course fees.

4. Proposed Changes to Graduate Credit for Seniors – Mark Payton

Dr. Payton and Dr. Campbell have been discussing changing the undergraduate requirements to a 3.0 GPA before allowing undergraduate students to enroll in a course for graduate credit. Members noted that they would like some flexibility and suggested adding a requirement that a student who has below a 3.0 must obtain approval from the Associate Dean in the academic college.

5. Bachelor of University Studies – Gail Gates

Dr. Gates commented that the Bachelor of University Studies (BUS) was approved by the Directors of Student Academic Services after a few revisions including:

Adding the Office of University Academic Services as a possible office to assist students in preparing a BUS plan.

Adding a statement that students must work with their adviser.

Changing the faculty committee that reviews the BUS plans to a departmental representative (adviser or faculty).

Kept 50 upper division hours

Members approved the 2009-10 BUS plan after adding Enrollment Services at OSU-Tulsa as another office that will assist students in preparing BUS plans.

6. Other

Dr. Gates noted that the Tulsa campus will be open for enrollment on Saturday, January 10th, asked if members felt it would be necessary to have the Stillwater campus open and members agreed that it would not be necessary.

Dr. Davis asked if there had been any changes to the summer schedule and Dr. Gates replied no.

Adjourn: 10:30 a.m.