

University Curriculum Committee
Thursday, October 3, 2019
3:30-4:30
Location: GW 106

Committee members: Zach Whalen, Marie Sheckels, Rachel Graefe-Anderson, Janine Davis
Ex-officio: John Morello, Rita Dunston

Agenda

1. Review curriculum proposals for new courses and programs.

a. [HISP 324](#)

This course number would replace the special topic number as listed in the minor. The department should submit a Change Program proposal and rewrite the requirements for the major, while also streamlining the language of “six credits from...” and listing every course.

The committee voted unanimously to approve this course.

b. [HIST 370](#)

The committee reviewed the relevant catalog language about required electives in the major. The committee voted unanimously to approve this course.

c. [HIST 465](#)

The committee voted unanimously to approve this course.

The committee discussed the following five proposals as a group, because they are being proposed with the same rationale.

d. [JAPN 101](#)

e. [JAPN 102](#)

f. [JAPN 201](#)

g. [JAPN 202](#)

h. [JAPN 300](#)

There was a question about how this could be a special topics/repeatable course. Some other languages do this as well; it would be dependent on the particular faculty member who teaches the course in the future. For the course to count as a general education course, the department/faculty would have to resubmit that for the future.

The committee discussed that some significant funding that would be required to maintain these courses after the initial grant from the Japan Foundation runs

out. Future funding decisions would be determined by those who review and control the adjunct unallocated budget, and enrollment would be a factor in those decisions.

The committee voted unanimously to approve the above five listed JAPN courses.

i. [Program Change: BLS](#)

The committee discussed the requirement of this course, which would offer a SI/WI in the major. The rationale appeared more about meeting the future requirement for WI and SI than about needing these skills in the major and in this course; the committee would like to see a stronger rationale because this would add a course in the major. Alternatively, this course could be offered as an elective in the major for students who do need SI and WI courses. There are also several courses listed in the new required catalog description that are no longer offered (i.e. ECON 332), so this language should be changed for future submissions. Zach has and did share a newly edited version with these changes. The committee voted to send the proposal back, to be resubmitted to the UCC.

2. CourseLeaf Update

John discussed the conference call for next week, where those participating will have the opportunity to discuss our existing and desired future processes for curriculum submission and approvals. Most members of the UCC will participate in the call. The goal is that next fall the UCC would work in CourseLeaf CIM, so in the time before then, the workflow will be established.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30

Submitted by Janine Davis