

CLASS Curriculum Committee Minutes for

September 14, 2020

ZOOM meeting

Committee members in participation: Cory Lepage (Chair), Sarah Nielsen (Assoc. Dean), Maria Ortuoste, Shubba Kashinath, Monique Manopoulos, Inés Thiebaut

1. Report from Associate Dean Sarah Nielsen

Sarah N. mentioned that she was still waiting on an answer about the Ethnic Studies proposals for University Extension. She stated that it was a different process though University Extension, but needs to get clarification on college committee's role. She will report back once she has received a response.

It appears that the GEOC Subcommittee will grant a limited exception to the Oct. 15 deadline for GEOC proposals. Sarah N. saw a draft of the policy, but she and Cory have not received official notification yet. The policy will likely be as follows. Any new proposals submitted must abide by the Oct 15, 2020 deadline to make the Mar 15 deadline. Although Proposals submitted after the deadlines will be looked at, there is no guarantee they will make it through Senate. Any recertifications without revision have until Oct. 30 and can bypass committee.

2. Report from Chair Lepage

No report.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Maria O informed the committee that she may want to make some revisions on POSC 332 – “Citizen Action”, and resubmit. Committee should reject POSC 332 for now and wait for new or update proposal.

PROPOSALS:

ENG – 220 – Immigration and Migration in America. (Cory L)

Discussion:

Diversity overlay recertification with minor student learning outcomes. Has C-2 designation and will have to go through recertification. Needs minor capitalization changes. Sarah N will make the minor changes.

Shubba inquired as to whether or not you should see a connection when reviewing diversity overlays? This is something GEOC will look for; however, committee chair Cory L. reminded members of the general committee agreement to leave detailed GEOC matters to the experts on that committee, but continue to let the college committee know if there is something that requires discussion.

Motion to Approve after capitalization changes by S. Nielsen: C. Lepage

Second: S. Kashinath

Approved unanimously

ENG - 319 – Moby -Dick and Literatures of the Ocean (Inés T)

Discussion:

This is a new class upper division recertification and it fulfills English major degree class. Inés T read through proposal and nothing stood out, except that PLO's need minor changes in capitalization; otherwise this is a well thought out proposal.

Inés T made motion to approve

Second: S. Kashinath

Approved unanimously

ENG – 321 - American Indian Literature (Shubba K)

Discussion:

This is a diversity overlay approval. Shubba explained that course exposes students to literature they may not be accustomed to. Curious on how the course learning outcomes relate to the diversity outcomes. Concerned about possible conflicts with Ethnic Studies courses, but notes ES was consulted. Would like to continue to move proposal on after minor grammatical corrections.

Motion to approve: S .Kashinath

Second: C. Lepage

Approved unanimously

ENG - 328 – Latina/O/Literature (Monique M)

Discussion:

This is a diversity overlay. Good proposal, but questioned how the two terms Latino/Latinx were used throughout proposal. Prefers the term Latinx used. Propose course title change to Latinx. Sarah agreed to contact the proposal initiator about the committee's proposed title change and will see if the committee can make the edits upon her approval.

Motion to approve (with minor changes to capitalization and possible title change): Cory L

Second: M. Ortuoste

Approved unanimously

POSC - 315 – Urban Politics (Monique M)

Discussion: This is a holdover from 2019. Suggest a change in name. Doesn't like proposed name and would like to rethink it. Feels the title "Problems by the Bay" prejudices, instead suggest something like "Issues by the Bay". Maria will follow up with proposal originator about the title change.

Cory wants to recommend changing names with negative connotations. He mentioned past Chair, Dawna Komowarsky's, comments from 2019 on this subject so assumes name change may be ok.

Motion to approve (with minor changes and possible title change): Cory L

Second: M. Manopoulos

Approved unanimously

POSC – 333 – Practical Politics (Sarah N.)

Discussion:

This is a title and description change. New title is more catchy - good, fun title. Although still want to be cognizant of others feelings, but thinks this title/description will be ok.

Motion to approve: I. Thiebaut

Second: C. Lepage

Approved unanimously

POSC - 335 – Women and Politics (C. Lepage)

Discussion:

This is a name change and a holdover from last year. Justification given for the name change. Sarah noticed a shortened title in revised version looks to be the short title from the old course name. Maria will look into this.

Monique noted "Me Too" discussion and questioned if this course would stop, ie., is it set in time? Will the name need to be changed at some point. Cory agreed title may need to be revised later.

Maria agreed to check into this before moving forward.

Motion to approve (once consultation is completed with proposal initiator and any edits made to short title): C. Lepage

Second: S. Kashinath

POSC - 336 – Ethnic and Minority Politics (Sarah N)

Discussion:

This is a name change and title description change. Title has more intensity, and is more up to date.

Monique noticed minor typo. Sarah agreed to make the change.

Motion to approve: M. Manopoulos

Second: C. Lepage

Approved unanimously

New Business:

Discussed work flow with incoming GEOC proposals ahead of the Oct. 15 deadline and the possibility of receiving several from Ethnic Studies and other departments in the recertification areas of C1, C2, D1 – 3, and CODE. But most will probably be regular overlay and GE proposals for the Oct. 15 deadline.

Shubba was curious about offering a minor in SLHS and adding GEOC certifications to their introductory courses. She thinks this will help increase interest and enrollment in SLHS.

Cory suggest to continue to approach Sarah N, to keep us informed on updates

Inés feels MUS has a lot of clean up to do, but is excited about the new program.

Meeting adjourned: 1:00pm