

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



**LIBERAL ARTS COUNCIL
MINUTES**

February 6, 2007

Present: Annie Epperson, Rita Jones, Keiko Krahnke, Barb Lowenbach,
Wendi Oster, Lorie Sauble-Otto, Thomas Smith, and Ben Varner

Absent: Jayati Chaudhuri, Tracy Salter, Sharon Wilson, and Sharon Zill

Proposals approved electronically:

SOC 235 – Social Change in a Global Context
Approved to be placed in Area 7 – International Studies

HUSR 205 – Introduction to Human Services
Approved to be placed in Area 5c – Human Behavior and Social Systems

Catalog wording proposal approved electronically:

At least 31 hours of Basic Core Courses (Areas 1-6), distributed as indicated below, and with at least 15 of those hours being drawn from Areas 3, 4, and 5.

The meeting was called to order.

Announcements

A call for submission of faculty for area committees has been sent to the college deans.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 21 meeting were approved as submitted.

New Business: Four New Courses

1. Area 3d - FOREIGN LANGUAGES
 - CHIN 201 – Intermediate Chinese I
Ben Varner/Annie Epperson moved to approve this course in areas 3d and 7 for 2007-2008. Motion carried
 - CHIN 202 – Intermediate Chinese II
Ben Varner/Annie Epperson moved to approve this course in areas 3d and 7 for 2007-2008. Motion carried

2. Area 5a – ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL SYSTEMS
 - CHIN 116 – Introduction to Chinese Civilization
Annie Epperson/Wendi Oster moved to approve this course in area 5a and

7 for 2007-2008. Motion carried.

3. Area 8 – MULTICULTURAL STUDIES

MUS 296 – Survey of History and Literature of Jazz

This course was sent back for the following reasons:

1. Need a more explicit reason as to why you chose the multicultural area for this course
2. The syllabus does not state explicitly how this course fits into the multicultural area
3. Need chapter titles on the syllabus
4. There is reference to JCCD – did not know what this stood for
5. There is a course syllabus checklist on the Provost web site and it was suggested that you use that to make sure everything is covered on the syllabus
6. Identical work is listed on the syllabus for 8/25 and 8/30
7. It was suggested that you might look at placing this course in another area – i.e. arts

Wendi Oster/Keiko Krahnke moved to send this course back for revisions as stated above. Motion carried.

Assessment

Tom informed the council members that the assessments for areas 7 & 8 need to have clearer written criteria and the Council would need to adopt the state criteria for areas 1-6 when writing the new criteria. The course embedded assessment needs to have global assessment outcomes of core education and must have measures for learning outcomes. Tom will find some models of this and bring them to the Council.

Sandy will send the old general education course embedded assessment reporting forms, student questionnaires, general education model, the state competency and content criteria for each area. The Council will review these forms and start working on new course embedded assessment for the Core.

Other

Sandy will send the LAC by-laws to the Council members.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Pope
Recording Secretary