



Liberal Arts Council

Council Meeting  
**Campus Commons 2300**  
December 3, 2019 3:30-5:00 p.m.  
MINUTES

**Member(s) Present:** Baird, Blair (Johnson), Byrnes, Geisendorfer, Granrud, Johnson, Kraver, Leatherman, Markowski, Matchett, Muller, Smith, Urbach, Wood

**Member(s) Absent:** Fitzpatrick, Harraf, Trelogan

**Guest(s):** Crews, Heiny

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 3:30pm.

Approval of the Agenda

- Agenda approved without objection.

Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting (11/19/2019)

- Minutes approved without objection.

Announcements

- Updates to the curriculum workflow process – Please review the information piece forwarded from Meagan Crews.
  - Parallel Process - Multiple CCCs may review simultaneously before proposals are sent to the full Council stage.
  - Chairs will be able to edit and submit proposals.
  - Members will be able to view and comment but will not be able to edit or submit.
- We will proceed directly to Course Recommendations as these are today's priority items.

Priority Business

- Course Recommendations from CCCs -  
*Courses in the LAC Chair (full council) workflow as of 11/27/19:*
  - **ASIA 248 Asian Musical Culture** – Seeking to be cross listed with MUS 248; nominated for Areas 3a/7, GT-AH1
    - Master syllabus has problems in GTP
    - CCC hasn't reviewed the course
    - Geisendorfer will reject the proposal so it goes back to the CCC level workflow
    - Byrnes will ask for updated syllabus for CCC review, then if approved, the course will move to a full council vote via email.
  - **ENG 206 Regional Mythologies** – nominated for Areas 3b/7, GT-AH2
    - CCCs approve the course; however:
      - SLOs for Area 7 are mislabeled as GTP content criteria
      - Disability statement is incorrect



- GTP statement is missing

MOTION: Granrud – If courses are otherwise acceptable with the exception of missing required GTP information we should approve the courses and follow up with clerical detail updates.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Kraver moved to include all similar clerical errors (information for LAC, disability statement, etc.).

SECOND: Byrnes

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **ENG 250 Introduction to Shakespeare** – nominated for Area 3b, GT-AH2
  - CCC approves the course; however:
    - Outdated disability and academic integrity statements
    - GTP components need state numbering

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **ESCI 101 Earth's Climate Systems** – nominated for Area 6, GT-SC2
  - GTP statement, competencies, and content criteria to be updated
    - State numbers must be used
  - Baird will send updated syllabus to Betsy.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **ESCI 150 Our Violent Earth** – nominated for Area 6, GT-SC2
  - GTP statement, competencies, and content criteria to be updated
    - State numbers must be used
  - Baird will send updated syllabus to Betsy.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **GNDR 240 Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality/SOC 240 Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality** – already carries Area 8, nominated for Area 5c, GT-SS3
  - Cross listed – Granrud shared master syllabus via email
  - CCC approves the course; however:
    - GTP and LAC components need to be added
  - Granrud will reach out and send updated syllabus to Betsy.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **GNDR 285 Gender in the Contemporary Global Order** – already carries Area 7, nominated for Area 5c, GT-SS3
  - CCC approves the course; however:
    - GTP, LAC, and Disability Resource Center information needs to be updated
  - Granrud will reach out and send updated syllabus to Betsy.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote

- **MIND 281 Modernity in Asia** – nominated for Area 3a/7, GT-AH1
  - CCCs approve the course; however:
    - Disability Resource Center information needs to be updated
    - GTP components need to be numbered correctly; statement added



- Betsy will follow up.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote

*Courses in the Liberal Arts Council (CCC) workflow as of 11/27/19:*

- **ASIA 116 State, Society, and Culture in Contemporary Asia** – nominated for Area 5c/7, GT-SS3
  - CCC not reviewed
  - GTP and LAC components need to be added
  - Not clear which CCC area needs to review the course; multiple Areas are listed:
    - Both 3b and 5c are listed on the workflow proposal
    - The syllabus comments mention 5a
  - Three bullet points in the workflow have not been selected yes/no:
    - Equivalent to another course, mutually exclusive, repeatable for credit
  - The course is rejected; comments will be added to the workflow. Betsy will follow up.
- **ASIA 216 South and Southeast Asian Literature** – nominated for Area 3b/7, GT-AH2
  - CCCs approve the course; however:
    - LAC and GTP components need to be added.
    - Three bullet points in the workflow have not been selected yes/no:
      - Equivalent to another course, mutually exclusive, repeatable for credit
  - Smith and Kraver will follow up.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve the course with the conditions above.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote

- **ENG 219 Language and Society** – nominated for Area 5c, GT-SS3
  - CCC not reviewed
  - GTP and LAC components need to be added
  - Granrud will follow up.
- **JMS 100 Introduction to Journalism and Media Studies** – nominated for Area 5c, GT-SS3
  - CCC not reviewed
  - GTP and LAC components need to be added
  - Granrud will follow up.

*Courses to Deactivate:*

- \* No further review is necessary; courses will be pushed through the workflow.
- **ECON 101 Understanding the Contemporary Economy** – Area 5a, GT-SS1 (sitting in Full Council stage)
- **MIND 293 Play as a Route to Insight and Creation** – LAC Elective (sitting in CCC stage)
- **MIND 295 Global Systems** – LAC Elective (sitting in CCC stage)



*Courses Withdrawn from LAC Consideration:*

- **MIND 292 Ideas in Conflict/ANT 292 Ideas in Conflict** – no longer being considered for Area 3c
- **NURS 200 Women's Health** – no longer being considered for Area 5c
  - UPDATE: As of 12/5/19 the CCC retracts its rejection of the course. NURS 200 was reapproved for 5c/GT-SS3 in May 2019.

EMAIL VOTE: The following four courses will require an email vote of the council once the issues identified above have been addressed:

- ~~ASIA 116~~
  - ⊖ Rejected, unclear which area(s) are being sought (12/3/19)
- ASIA/MUS 248 – syllabus issues addressed; APPROVED via email vote of the full Council for LAC Areas 3a/7 and GT-AH1 (12/11/19)
- ~~ENG 219~~
  - ⊖ Rejected by Social & Behavioral Sciences CCC (12/9/19)
- ~~JMS 100~~
  - ⊖ Rejected by Social & Behavioral Sciences CCC (12/9/19)

**\*If a vote of approval is not reached before the end of the year, the courses will not be granted LAC attributes in the Fall 2020 catalog.\***

Reports

- **Chair's Report** (Geisendorfer) – No Report
- **Standing Reports**
  - *GE Council* (Matchett) – No Report
  - *IAP Report* (Matchett) – No Report
  - *Core Curriculum Committee Reports*
    - ***Language and Mathematics*** (Wood) – No Report
    - ***History, Literature, and Humanities*** (Smith) – No Report
    - ***Philosophy and the Arts*** (Trelogan) – No Report
    - ***Social and Behavioral Sciences*** (Granrud) – No Report
    - ***Physical and Life Sciences*** (Baird) – The committee met to discuss the potential issue with the removal of the two-prefix rule in Area 6 and courses sharing content that is too similar. With Judy's help we are crafting a statement and plan to bring it to the Council for review/approval and dissemination to units; more to come next semester.
    - ***International and Multicultural Studies*** (Kraver) – No Report
  - *Ad Hoc Committee Reports*
    - \*Assessment and Curriculum have been removed until needed.
    - ***Outreach & Communication*** (Kraver) - LAC Videos YouTube channel has been created. We can also submit flyers (JPEG or PNG) to UNC's Snapchat account via [social.media@unco.edu](mailto:social.media@unco.edu).

Old Business

- New Statement for the LAC Web Site on Our Curriculum Approval Process
- Review and Possible Revision of the Liberal Arts Core Syllabus Standards Checklist
- Plans for the Coming Year – Discussion



New Business

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Comments for the Good of the Order

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Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:36pm.

Nancy Geisendorfer  
Co-Chair

Betsy Kienitz  
Recording Secretary