



Liberal Arts Council

Council Meeting
Campus Commons 2204
December 7, 2021 3:30-5:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Present: Beals (McMahan), Beyers, Denny, Geisendorfer, Kraver, Leatherman, Matchett, McClatchey, Muller, Smith, Staton, Uglean Jackson, Urbach, Wood, Yamprai

Absent: Houston, Steele

Guests: Bovaird-Abbo, Couch, Kyle, Lee, Wanasika

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:37pm.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting (11/16/2021)

Approved without objection.

Announcements

Reports

- **Chair's Report** (Wood) – Overview of indirect assessment implementation for next Spring: The Assessment Subcommittee developed a structure to handle indirect assessment.
 - Betsy will collect syllabi and make them available in the SharePoint around mid-January.
 - CCCs shall review the syllabi and determine whether the syllabi continue to adhere to LAC criteria and, where appropriate, gtP criteria.
 - The CCC chairs shall report their findings to the Council who shall determine whether additional information is needed.
 - Each of the six LAC meetings in Spring has been dedicated to one of the six CCCs for their indirect assessment reporting to the Council.
 - If additional information is required for a course to remain in the Curriculum, the necessary actions shall be communicated in writing to the originating academic units.
 - Indirect assessment memos have already been sent to units; indirect assessment is a passive process for units.
- **Standing Reports**
 - *GE Council* (Matchett) – The GE Council has not met since our last LAC meeting. Matchett reminded Council members that our indirect assessment process is similar to what the State could do to check that syllabi meet gtP requirements. If syllabi are found to be out of gtP compliance, we'll get a chance to update the syllabi. If the necessary updates are not completed, then the course would lose its gtP status.
 - *AVP of Undergraduate Studies* (Matchett) – Most of the Council's time in Spring will be dedicated to indirect assessment, but it is possible that course proposals could be submitted in the workflow in Spring for LAC review. Any reviews next year will be for



the 2023/2024 catalog.

- *Core Curriculum Committee Reports*
 - **Written Communication & World Languages** (Wood) – No Report.
 - **History, Literature, & Humanities** (Smith) – We have items under new business.
 - **Philosophy & the Arts** (Yamprai) – We have items under new business.
 - **Social & Behavioral Sciences** (McMahan) – No Report.
 - **Mathematics & Natural Sciences** (Steele) – No Report.
 - **International & Multicultural Studies** (Kraver) – No Report.
- *Ad Hoc Committee Reports*
 - **Assessment & Curriculum** (Wood) – See indirect assessment announcement under Chair's Report.
 - **Outreach & Communication** (Wood) – Muller was interviewed for the IS/MS portion of the video.

Unfinished Business

New Business

- **Course Review** (*reviews this semester are all for the 2022/2023 catalog*)
 - **ANT 130L Introduction to Biological Anthropology Laboratory** – MNS CCC recommends approval for LAS1/LASL/GT-SC1.
MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve ANT 130L for inclusion in LAS1/LASL/GT-SC1.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
 - **BA 150 Foundations of Business Thought** – PA CCC recommends continued inclusion in LAA3/GT-AH3; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.
MOTION: Kraver – It is moved to approve BA 150 for inclusion in LAMS and continued inclusion in LAA3/GT-AH3.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
 - **BA 251 International Business** – SBS CCC recommends approval for LAB1/GT-SS1; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAIS.
MOTION: Kraver – It is moved to approve BA 251 for inclusion in LAB1/GT-SS1 and LAIS.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
 - **ENG 217 Studies in Young Adult Literature** – HLH CCC recommends approval for LAA2/GT-AH2; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAIS.
MOTION: Urbach – It is moved to approve ENG 217 for inclusion in LAA2/GT-AH2 and LAIS.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
 - **ENG 232 Multicultural Speculative Fiction** – HLH CCC recommends approval for LAA2/GT-AH2; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.
MOTION: Urbach – It is moved to approve ENG 232 for inclusion in LAA2/GT-AH2 and LAMS.
VOTE: Approved by voice vote.
 - **HUM 130 Introduction to Cultural Studies** – PA CCC recommends approval for LAA3/GT-AH3; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.
 - HUM 130 has been LAA1/GT-AH1, but the necessary changes have been made to switch to LAA3/GT-AH3 and add LAMS.MOTION: Urbach – It is moved to approve HUM 130 for inclusion in LAA3/GT-AH3 and LAMS.



VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **MAS 225 Latina/Latino History** – HLH CCC recommends approval for LAH1/GT-HI1; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.

MOTION: Urbach – It is moved to approve MAS 225 for inclusion in LAH1/GT-HI1 and LAMS.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **MCS 101 Introduction to Multiculturalism in the United States: Concepts and Issues** – HLH CCC does not recommend approval for LAA2/GT-AH2; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.
 - Smith noted the HLH CCC agrees MCS 101 would be a good fit for LAA2/GT-AH2, but additional revisions are required to meet the criteria for LAA2/GT-AH2. CCC recommendations were shared with the originator, but further revisions were not received this semester.
 - Courses cannot be granted LAMS without approval in a primary category. (There are no standalone LAIS or LAMS courses.)
 - Kraver noted that MCS 101 is used in the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CLD) endorsement; Kraver encouraged the originator to pursue the necessary revisions to seek inclusion in the LAC.

DISCUSSION:

- MCS 101 carried Area 8 in the Liberal Arts Core; the course still satisfies Area 8 for any students under previous catalog years.
- Per Council action taken 10/19/2021, LAMS will be ‘grandfathered’ for any students who took MCS 101 to satisfy Area 8 and changed their catalog year.

MOTION: Smith – It is moved to deny MCS 101 inclusion in LAA2/GT-AH2 and LAMS.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **MUS 140 Exploration of Music through American Identities** – PA CCC recommends continued inclusion in LAA1/GT-AH1; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.

MOTION: Yamprai – It is moved to approve MUS 140 for inclusion in LAMS and continued inclusion in LAA1/GT-AH1.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **MUS 155 Beats and Grooves in Hispanic and Latinx Music** – PA CCC recommends approval for LAA1/GT-AH1; IS/MS CCC recommends approval for LAMS.

MOTION: Yamprai – It is moved to approve MUS 155 for inclusion in LAA1/GT-AH1 and LAMS.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **STAT 250 Statistics for Life Sciences** – MNS CCC recommends approval for LAX1/GT-MA1.

MOTION: Geisendorfer – It is moved to approve STAT 250 for inclusion in LAX1/GT-MA1.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **Policy Exemption Requests**

- **Evans** – request to waive LAW1 due to having an ACT/SAT Writing exemption in their previous catalog year

MOTION: Wood – It is moved to approve Evans’ request to waive LAW1 due to having an ACT/SAT Writing exemption in their previous catalog year.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.



- **Giovanetti** – request to waive LAW1 due to having an ACT/SAT Writing exemption in their previous catalog year

MOTION: Wood – It is moved to approve Giovanetti’s request to waive LAW1 due to having an ACT/SAT Writing exemption in their previous catalog year.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

DISCUSSION: *Creation of a general policy recommendation for ACT/SAT Writing exemptions*

- The ACT/SAT Writing exemption was removed because it was out of compliance with the State requirement of completing two Writing courses.
- Students with the exemption started their program at UNC with the understanding that their LAC Area 1a was waived.
- The Council has already approved a similar provision for students with the ACT/SAT Math exemption (see LAC minutes dated 11/16/2021).

MOTION: Kraver – It is moved to allow the Registrar’s Office to waive LAW1 for students who had an ACT/SAT Writing exemption in their previous catalog.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **Natividad** – request to waive LAW1 due to having completed two GT-CO2 courses due to mis-advisement at Aims

- Student completed two GT-CO2 courses at other institutions:
 - WRTG 1150 (from CU Boulder) transfers to UNC as ENG 1XX
 - ENG 122 (from Aims CC) transfers to UNC as ENG 123
- After having completed their first-year writing course (WRTG 1150) at CU Boulder, the student was advised at Aims to take their second Writing course (ENG 122).

MOTION: Wood – It is moved to approve Natividad’s request to waive LAW1 due to having completed two GT-CO2 courses due to mis-advisement at Aims.

DISCUSSION:

- CU Boulder does not offer GT-CO1 courses.
- The student completed two unique Writing courses at the college level (totaling 6 credits); the State allows institutions to make this type of exemption.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

- **Robuck** – request to waive LAC Area 7 due to mis-advisement

- There is clear evidence of mis-advisement via email.
- Student is set graduate this Fall pending the decision of this appeal.

MOTION: Wood – It is moved to approve Robuck’s request to waive LAC Area 7 due to mis-advisement.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.

DISCUSSION:

- Couch informed the Council that his staff have found evidence of similar mis-advisement by the same advisor in Nursing.
- Matchett will address the advising issue.
- Any students in the same situation should submit a policy exemption request.

MOTION: Muller – It is moved to approve the requests of additional students in similar situations of mis-advisement with the same advisor.

VOTE: Approved by voice vote.



Comments for the Good of the Order

- Wood and Matchett thanked everyone for their hard work and contributions this semester.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:21pm.

Tara Wood
Chair

Betsy Kienitz
Recording Secretary