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APAC Minutes
October 11, 1994

Members present: Midgarden, Chair; Bakke, Bense, Boe, Crockett, Danielson, DuBord, Frederick, Mathiason, Moore, Olday, Pemble, Reed, Roy, Shaker, Sibley, Strong, Wasson, Zarrett.

Minor changes were announced.

1. Minor Change.

MCS 300/Speech 499: African American Theater. (4 cr.
Liberal Studies designation Category F1 as a topical
course.

2. Semester Conversion: Department of Philosophy

Philosophy 105: Philosophical Thinking (4 semester cr.)
Wasson moved. Zarrett seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

Philosophy 300: History of Ethics (4 semester cr.)
Boe moved. Bense seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

Philosophy 492/592: Major Philosopher 1-3 semester cr.
Boe moved. Roy seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

Roy moved to approve Philosophy's converted semester package.
Moore seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

3. Semester Conversion: Department of Psychology

Brad Bremer, chair of the Psychology department, stated two changes made in the package:

Internships will be 12 credits instead of 15 credits

PSY 403g: Adulthood & Aging (4 quarter cr.) was converted to
PSY 403/503: Adulthood & Aging (3 semester cr.)

PSY 265: Health Psychology (3 semester cr.)
Moore moved. Mathiason seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

PSY 348: Cognition and Perception (3 semester cr.)
Boe moved. Wasson seconded to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

PSY 490/590: Special Topics in Psychology (3 semester cr.
Boe moved. Pemble seconded to approve.

Course title will be changed to: Topics in Psychology.

Motion carried unanimously.

Elizabeth Danielson informed members of the Semester Conversion Task Force's decision in regards to topics and special topics courses. The rule of practice will be: general topics will carry the x90 number and courses with specific topic areas will be listed with the x95 number.

Mathiason moved, Olday seconded to approve the package as presented.

The following changes were made in the Psychology Semester Package:

Roy moved to amend the package with the following change:

Change course number of: PSY 491: Independent Study
(1 semester cr.)
To: PSY 497: Independent Study
(1 semester cr.)

Moore seconded to approve.
Motion to amend carried unanimously.

Motion to approve amended package carried unanimously.

The committee discussed Internship workload and the appointing of an Internship Task Force: ~~X~~

- Internships are not consistent in terms of workload.
- By contrast, student teaching supervision workload is a fixed ratio brought to the IFO Meet and Confer each year for discussion.

Committee members should submit their suggestions/comments regarding the charge and purpose of the task force in writing to Bette Midgarden. Midgarden will contact appropriate groups and begin the process to appoint a Task Force this week.

4. Sociology/Anthropology/Criminal Justice's Request regarding Semester Materials.

This involved a request for an abbreviated new course proposal form to be utilized when the course credit conversion from quarters to semesters remains the same.

The committee decided that an abbreviated new course proposal form be prepared by Danielson and Midgarden and distributed at the next meeting. Departments will have the option of completing either the abbreviated or the long form when converting a course with equal quarter credits to semester credits. Departments must submit the long form when proposing new courses for APAC's approval. Notification of the new short form and its location in the DG Public Drawer will be sent to departments after the form is approved by APAC. only

Information to be noted on the abbreviated form are:

- Conversion comparison needed for: descriptions, topics, title, pre-requisites.
- Rationale for the increase in credits for the course.
- Roy requested that the quarter/semester comparisons appear side-by-side on the new form.

Pemble moved to approve the creation of an abbreviated new course proposal form. Zarrett seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

G. Anderson