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April 15, 2003 APAC Minutes

Members present: Midgarden, chairperson; Bolduc, Borchers, Conteh, Dobitz, Enz Finken, Flack, Gess, Jeppson, Mills, Olerud, Quigley, Schwartz, Shaw, Shreve, Simpson, Stockrahm, Wallert, and Weckler.

Members absent: Max, Ruth & Strong.

1. Approval of the 4/1/03 APAC Minutes

Conteh moved. Borchers seconded to approve the 4/1/03 APAC Minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Proposal to reduce the number of credits currently required to earn a Bachelor of Arts Degree. (President Barden was present to answer questions and listen to the discussion.)

This proposal was discussed at the 3/4/03 APAC meeting. The Student Senate voted unanimously w/one abstention in favor of reducing the number of credits required to earn a bachelor of arts degree to 120 credits. The results of the student survey were 507 in favor and 123 not in favor (71 of the not in favor votes were students in senior year status). The feedback from College Advisory Boards were e-mailed to APAC members as they were received by the Office of Academic Affairs.

The committee discussed the following:

- ❖ This change would reduce the number of required elective credits (not liberal studies or required credits.)
- ❖ If the quality of education would decline and this would lower the standards of MSUM.
- ❖ Students could continue to take courses even though they had fulfilled the number of credits required for their B.A. degree.
- ❖ The reduction of laboratory time with the approval of the academic calendars is as important as this proposal.
- ❖ Other institutions in the nation have set their requirement at 120 credits.
- ❖ Accurate advising is always important.
- ❖ 120 credits is requested because that will equal 15 credits per semester for 4 years and satisfies Minnesota financial aid.

Wallert moved to reduce the number of credits required to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from 128 credits to 120 credits to be implemented fall semester 2003. Conteh seconded.

Motion carried with 11 in favor and 2 opposed.

3. MnSCU Change in Board Policy of setting a 40-credit minimum in the number of upper-division credits. [The previous minimum was 1/3 of the total number of credits, which meant that programs with more than 121 credits had to have more than 40 upper-division credits.]

Shreve moved. Gess seconded to approve changing the current policy of 1/3 of the total number of credits (43 credits) to a 40-credit minimum in the number of upper-division credits required in any MSUM major.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Languages & Cultures

These courses were tabled at the 2/18/03 and 3/4/03 APAC meetings. Jim Weckler was in attendance to answer questions about the revised new courses.

Weckler moved. Schwartz seconded to remove the following new courses from the table:

CHIN 250: Beginning Chinese Calligraphy (2 cr.)

CHIN 350: Chinese Calligraphy (2 cr.)

Motion to remove the courses from the table for approval carried unanimously.

Motion to approve carried unanimously.

5. Business Administration Department

Jim Swenson was present to answer questions.

Enz Finken moved. Borchers seconded to approve decreasing the number of hours a

Department of Business Administration major must work to receive one internship credit and reduce the requirement from 45 to 40 hours of work per credit.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Mathematics Department

Ari Wijetunga was present to answer questions.

Bolduc moved. Schwartz seconded to approve increasing credits of MATH 421: Actuarial Science I from 1 to 3 cr. Also change course description and prerequisites.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Multidisciplinary Studies

Jarilyn Gess and Dennis Jacobs were present to answer questions.

Flack moved. Bolduc seconded the following new courses:

MDS 210: Understanding Crisis (2)

MDS 212: Issues in Abuse (1)

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Counseling and Personal Growth Center

Thomas Lane and Sandi Schuette were present to answer questions.

Conteh moved. Shreve seconded to approve the new course:

PDEV 310: Senior Year Experience (1)

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Elementary & Early Childhood Education

Teri Walseth, Karen Danbom and Roberta Shreve were present to answer questions.

The committee had no concerns with the following changes:

Change prerequisites &/or in the following courses *These courses have a change in their description:

EECE 291: Foundations of Literacy (3 cr.)

EECE 375: Contemporary Methods in EC Literacy (2 cr.)

EECE 388: Classroom Assessment (3 cr.)
EECE 433: Presch/Kindergarten Curriculum (3 cr.)
EECE 488: Contemporary Issues and Ethics in EC ed. (2 cr.)
*EECE 367J: Intermediate Practicum/Elementary (1-4 crs.)
*EECE 388: Classroom Assessment (3 cr.)
*EECE 435: Parent-Professional Relations (3 cr.)
*EECE 467F: Practicum/Elementary Teaching (1-4 cr.)
*EECE 441: Children's Literature: Content and Methods (4 cr.)
*EECE 480E: Student Teaching: Elementary (5 cr.)
*EECE 481E: Student Teaching: Elementary (10 cr.)
*EECE 481V: Student Teaching: Elementary/Early Childhood (1-16 cr.)

Shreve moved. Weckler seconded to approve the following changes:
Change course number, title, description and increase credits of EECE 485P: Student Teaching: Preschool (1-10 crs.) to: 481EC: Student Teaching: Early Childhood (1-12 crs.)
Motion carried unanimously.

Bolduc moved. Weckler seconded to eliminate the following courses:
EECE 472: Building the Classroom Community (2 cr.)
EECE 478: Professional Teacher (3 cr.)
EECE 479: Seminar for Early Childhood Student Teaching (1 cr.)
EECE 483: Elementary Student Teaching Seminar (1 cr.)
EECE 421: The Gifted Child (2 cr.)
EECE 422: Curriculum Methods for the Gifted (2 cr.)
EECE 434: Kindergarten Education (3 cr.)
EECE 485E: Student Teaching Elementary (5-10)
EECE 485L: Student Teaching Infant/toddler (1-10)
EECE 485K: Student Teaching: Kindergarten (5)
EECE 485P: Student Teaching: Preschool (1-10)

Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Change in Licensure in Kindergarten

Schwartz moved. Shaw seconded to approve of dropping the current requirements and change to:

Kindergarten licensure may be added to an elementary education (grades 1-6) license by successfully completing EECE 433: Preschool/kindergarten curriculum and the accompanying practicum (EECE 467K). This is available only to students seeking licensure prior to September 1, 2005.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Art and Design Department

Bolduc moved. Schwartz seconded to approve the changes in course number, title, course description, prerequisite (please see handout for specific changes.)

Current students that have completed courses previously coded as 200 A-L level courses will have those courses listed on their transcripts as 300-level courses and they will be counted as upper-level courses.

Motion carried unanimously.

Bolduc moved. Gess seconded to approve the changes made in the following studio type courses:

Ceramics Program:

Change ART 150: Introduction to Ceramics to ART 203A: Introduction to Ceramics and Clay Processes.

Change ART 200A: Intermediate Throwing to 303A: Intermediate Pottery/Wheel Throwing.

Change ART 300A to 304A

Change ART 301 to 305A

Change ART 400A (1st semester) to 404A

Change ART 400A (2nd semester) to 405A

Graphic Design Program:

Change ART 154 to ART 203B

Change ART 200B to 303B

Change 300B (1st semester) to ART 304B

Change 300B (2nd semester) to ART 305B

Change 400B (1st semester) to ART 404B

Change 400B (2nd semester) to ART 405B

Painting Program:

Change ART 156 to 203C

Change ART 200C to 303C

Change ART 300 (1st semester) to 304C

Change ART 300C (2nd semester) to 305C

Change ART 400C (1st semester) to 404C

Change ART 400C (2nd semester) to 405C

Printmaking Program:

Change ART 157 to 203D

Change ART 200D to 303D

Change ART 300D (1st semester) to 304D

Change ART 300D (2nd semester) to 305D

Change ART 400D (1st semester) to 404D

Change ART 400D (2nd semester) to 405D

Sculpture Program:

Change ART 160 to 203E

Change ART 200E to 303E
Change ART 300E (1st semester) to 304E
Change ART 300E (2nd semester) to 305E
Change ART 400E (1st semester) to 404E
Change ART 400E (2nd semester) to 405E

Photography Program:

Change ART 130 to 203F
Change ART 200F to 303F
Change ART 300F (1st semester) to 304F
Change ART 300F (2nd semester) to 305F
Change ART 400F (1st semester) to 404F
Change ART 400F (2nd semester) to 405F

Drawing Program:

Change ART 300H (1st semester) to 304H
Change ART 300H (2nd semester) to 305H
Change ART 400H (1st semester) to 404H
Change ART 400H (2nd semester) to 405H

Illustration Program:

Change ART 152 to 203L
Change ART 200L to 303L
Change ART 300L (1st semester) to 304L
Change ART 300L (2nd semester) to 305L
Change ART 400L (1st semester) to 404L
Change ART 400L (2nd semester) to 405L

Motion carried unanimously.

Gess moved. Shaw seconded to approve the changes to the following courses in the Watercolor Program:

Change ART 162 to 210

Change ART 262 to 310

Motion carried unanimously.

11. Task Force Recommendation on APAC forms and process.

This was a carry over item from the 4/1/03 APAC meeting.

Weckler moved. Conteh seconded to approve the new APAC coversheet.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. English Department (This proposal will be discussed at the 4/29/03 APAC meeting.)

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. - Gloria Riopelle