CURRICULUM REVIEW COUNCIL

MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2015

Called to order: 3:28 p.m.
Adjourned: 3:54 p.m.

Members Present:
Ms. Lillie Frazier Bell, (Chair, for Dr. Lisa Abney)
Mr. Joel Hicks (for Dr. Laura Aaron)
Dr. Kathleen E. Smith
Dr. Bill Dickens
Dr. Mark Melder
Ms. Abbie Landry
Mr. John G. Williams
Dr. Massimo Bezoari
Dr. Ali Ahmad
Dr. Malena McLaren (for Dr. Mark J. Thompson)
Dr. Pamela B. Simmons

Guest Present:
CPT. John Welch
Ms. Lily Pharris
Dr. Francene Lemoine
Ms. Shirley Snyder
Dr. Charles Pellegrin
Dr. Mike Land
Dr. Allison Rittmayer
Dr. Holly Stave
Mr. Curtis Penrod

I. ENGLISH, FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURAL STUDIES

A. Add the following new course for undergraduate credit:
   • ENGL 4970 – Film, Gender, and Sexuality (3-3-0).

   Action: Approved without opposition.

II. LOUISIANA SCHOLARS’ COLLEGE

A. Make the following course changes:
   • SST A 3810 – Change course title, course description, and course prerequisite.

B. Make the following change to the English (822) joint major program:
   • Delete ENGL 2110 in the joint major core requirements and 2nd year of the curriculum and replace with an ENGL or SENG elective at the 2000 level.

C. Make the following change to the Fine and Performing Arts (820C) concentration:
• Add the below course prefixes to the concentration requirements and as a curriculum footnote as course prefixes to select from to satisfy the required 39 hours of fine arts courses:

1. ART  
2. SART  
3. COMM  
4. ENGL  
5. SENG  
6. FACS  
7. SFPA  
8. FA  
9. JOUR  
10. MUS  
11. PHOT  
12. PHIL  
13. THEA  
14. SLSC  
15. SMUS  
16. SPHI

**Action:** Item II-C removed from consideration per the request of Dr. Holly Stave (submitter) prior to the meeting. Dr. Bill Dickens questioned the deletion of ENGL 2110 (a university core course) from the English joint major program. Dr. Holly Stave explained that it had been determined the LSC text and tradition courses (required for all LSC programs) satisfies the literature component adequately and the aim of the proposed change was to allow students the option to select from alternate 2000 level ENGL or SENG courses. Item II-A and II-B approved without opposition.

### III. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

A. Make the following changes to the Computer Information Systems Minor requirements:
   - Delete CIS 1020 – Introduction to Computer Information Systems.
   - Add CIS 1015 – Introduction to Computer Information Systems.
   - Add CSC 2060 – Program Design I – as an option.

B. Add BUAD 2200 as an option to satisfy the Communication component of the University Core.

C. Add the following statement on credit awarded based on specific certification to the School of Business section of the University Catalog:
   - **Course Credit for Certifications**
     A student will be awarded a grade of “CR” in certain classes if they can provide a copy of the certification being used by the School of Business or a past
version of the certification being used by the School of Business with required continuing education credits to keep the certification valid. The student will provide these certificates to the Coordinator of Computer Information Systems who will be responsible for maintaining those copies as well as letting the Registrar’s Office know of the credit to be awarded. The classes and their associated certifications are as follows:

BUAD1800 – Microsoft Office Specialist in Word
CIS 1060 – IC3 Living Online
CIS 2000 – Microsoft Office Specialist in Excel
CIS 2050 – CompTia A+ or Proctored TestOut PC Pro
CIS 3400 – CompTia Net+ or Proctored TestOut Network Pro
CIS 3980 – CompTia Security+ or Proctored TestOut Security Pro
CIS 4220 – Cisco CCENT or Cisco CCNA

NOTE: While a student may be awarded credit for the above classes, he or she must still complete at least 50% of his or her School of Business classes at Northwestern State University. If awarded a “CR” for these classes, they will not count towards that 50%.

Action: Dr. Bill Dickens asked if the intent of adding BUAD 2200 to the communications component of the University Core was to allow it to replace COMM 1010 in program curriculums. Mr. Curtis Penrod responded that the addition was requested to alleviate some of the demand for COMM 1010 and would only be an option to satisfy the communication component of the core in curriculums that did not specify COMM 1010 (or another communication core course) as a requirement. Dr. Dickens also questioned the legality of awarding course credit based on certifications issued by non-higher education entities. Mr. Penrod advised the council the School of Business based its decision concerning the awarding of such credit on comparable procedures by other NSU departments. He also mentioned the market value of awarding certification credit and pointed out that the course credit proposed to be awarded are for NSU courses designed to prepare the student for the examination for which they already have certification. All items approved without opposition.

IV. CRIMINAL JUSTICE, HISTORY, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

A. Add the following new course for undergraduate credit:
   • HIST 4500 – United States Since 1968 (3-3-0).
B. **Delete the following courses:**
   - CJ 2160 – Community Relations in Criminal Justice (3-3-0).
   - CJ 3370 – Community Policing (3-3-0).
   - CJ 4490 – Team and Organizational Leadership (3-3-0).
   - CJ 4590 – Police Leadership and Administration (3-3-0).

C. Make the following **change to the credits awarded based on Louisiana P.O.S.T. certification:**
   - Delete CJ 2160.
   - Add 3 hours of electives.

**Action:** All items approved without opposition.

V. **BIOLOGY, MICROBIOLOGY, AND VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY**

A. Make the following **change to the Veterinary Technology (725) program:**
   - 2nd year – delete Social/behavioral science\(^2\) (at sophomore level).
   - 2nd year – add Social/behavioral science\(^2\).

B. Make the following **changes to the Pre-Veterinary (618C) curriculum:**
   - 1st year – delete Chemistry 1030, 104, 1031, 1041.
   - 1st year – add Chemistry 1030-1031, 1040-1041.
   - In curriculum note – change LSU application/credentials submission date to September 15.

C. Make the following **addition to the Veterinary Technology (618V) concentration:**
   - Add the below reference and associate with VTEC 4200:
     - \(*\** May substitute with general elective course if provide proof of a passing score on the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE).

D. Make the following **course changes:**
   - VTEC 1020 – change course title and course description.
   - VTEC 2060 – change course title and course description.
   - VTEC 2090 – change course prerequisite.
   - VTEC 2900 – change course description.
   - VTEC 3010 – change course prerequisite.
   - VTEC 3190 – change course description.
   - VTEC 3700 – change course description.
   - VTEC 4900 – change course description and course prerequisite.

E. Add the following **new courses** for undergraduate credit:
   - BIOL 2090 – General Microbiology (3-3-0).
   - BIOL 2091 – General Microbiology Lab (1-0-3).
• BIOL 2190 – Survey of Mycology (3-3-0).
• BIOL 2990 – Environmental Law (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3020 – Pharmacology (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3100 – Soil Microbiology (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3110 – Geomicrobiology (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3120 – Microbiology of Wastewater (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3130 – Survey of Applied Genomics (3-3-0).
• BIOL 3330 – Dairy and Agrarian Microbiology and Regulations (3-3-0).
• BIOL 4050 – Bioremediation (3-3-0).
• BIOL 4930 – Microbial Physiology (3-3-0).
• BIOL 4990 – Capstone Course for Microbiology (3-3-0).

**Action:** All items approved without opposition.

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Ms. Lillie Frazier Bell, University Registrar

Dr. Lisa Abney, Chair, Provost, and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. James B. Henderson, President