

Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting
October 2, 2017

Present: J. Arruda, T. Dobrowolski, S. Drew, E. Hollingsworth, M. Krepps, P. Magee, J. Neef, M. Pomatto, G. Prelogar, E. Ramage, B. Winters

Dr. Mary Carol Pomatto, committee chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00PM.

Ms. Patty Magee, HPSS, introduced legislation for the Social Work Program. Program requested creation of a new course, SWK 619 Pre-Integrative Seminar, to assist students in preparing for practicum. Program requests increasing SWK 621 Practicum in Social Work credit hours from nine to ten hours and decreasing Integrative Seminar 622 from three hours to two hours. Program also request revision to curriculum to reflect the new course and changes in credit hours. Motion and second to approve (Krepps, Winters). Discussion and motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Joe Arruda, Biology, presented legislation for his department. Dept proposes creation of a new course BIOL 525 Urban Ecology. The course has been successful as a topics course. Motion and second to approve (Winters, McBain). Discussion and motion carried unanimously.

Dept proposes reactivation of the course, Biometry 603, with an increase of credit hours from one to three. Motion and second to approve (Winters, Arruda). Discussion and motion carried unanimously.

Dept proposes deletion of the BA Biology degree program based on the fact enrollment has been negligible for many years and deletion was recommended by external program review. Motion and second to approve deletion of degree (McBain, Prelogar). Discussion and motion passed unanimously.

Dept requests revision of the Biology minor to allow students to complete the minor with 20 hours, which is impossible with the current minor because of pre-requisites. Motion and second to approve revision of Biology minor (Winters, Neef). Discussion and motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Arruda presented one change to the graduate degree, MS in Biology, Options I and II, to moved BIOL 803 Biometry from the elective category to a requirement. The proposal was endorsed by the A&S Committee and will be forwarded to the Graduate Council for action.

Dr. Jody Neef introduced legislation submitted by the Dept of Chemistry to change the pre-requisite for CHEM 325 Organic Chemistry I from CHEM 215 to CHEM 225 to better prepare students for organic and reduce the attrition rates. Motion and second to approve the course revision (Arruda, Drew). Discussion and motion carried unanimously.

With no further agenda items, Dr. Pomatto adjourned the meeting at 3:25.