UO Committee on Courses
Meeting Notes

Date: May 3, 2013

Present: Jack Boss*, John Crosiar, Paul Engelking*, Sue Eveland, James Imamura*, Mike Jefferis, Scott Skelton, Lisa Wolverton* (* Voting members)

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 7, 2013, in EMU Rogue River Room

E-mail voting results:

WGS 415/515: UOCC approved dropping this course (five votes)
WGS 432/532: UOCC approved (five votes)

MUS 443/543: UOCC approved (four votes)
MUS 450/550: UOCC approved (four votes)
MUS 444/544: UOCC approved (four votes)

Administrative Actions: All UOCC approved as listed in Kathy's May 1, 2013, e-mail (five votes)

Discussion:

Paul Engelking and Lisa Wolverton reported on

(correction made to minutes)

FHS 110–Denied.
FHS 111–Denied. After discussing the need for policy discussion and development by the Undergraduate Council and others on campus regarding such “service learning” courses, the UOCC decided to deny these two courses.

Paul Engelking reported on

EDST 656–UOCC approved.
EDST 657–UOCC approved.
EDST 658–UOCC approved. The Department of Computer and Information Science has no interest in these courses, and the Graduate School is OK with them as graduate courses.
EDST 471/571–Table.
EDST 472/572–Table. These two courses are at the center of an ongoing discussion between the College of Education and the Department of Mathematics. COE could restructure these as originally proposed—focusing on pedagogy, not content), and the
UOCC likely would OK them; if not, then the UOCC would insist on COE obtaining sign-off by the math department. UOCC decided to roll these two courses to fall to give these two entities time to work out their differences; we will suggest that they should be taught as originally proposed, perhaps adding a Math 213 prerequisite to EDST 472/572, and ask for a math sign-off.

[At this point, Paul left for class, so there no longer was a quorum for UOCC action. Votes will be taken at the next meeting with a quorum present.]

James Imamura reported on

MUS 151–Ready to vote. Removed repeatability. Engagement needs to increase from 119 to 120 hours (more reading).
J352–Ready to vote.
J440–Ready to vote. (Drop if 352 approved.)
J342–Ready to vote.
J436/536–Need generic inventory.
J456/556–Ready to vote. (Drop if 436/536 approved)
J464/564–Ready to vote. (Drop if 436/536 approved)
J476/576–Ready to vote.
J315H–Ready to vote.
J424H–Ready to vote. Both of these honors courses clearly followed honors guidelines. Question raised about including “honors” in course name; BANNER sampling shows other honors courses having names with and without “honors” in title, so it seems to be OK either way.

Jack Boss reported on

PS 345–Instructor responded to query regarding PS199 prerequisite that it would be OK to list “an introduction to political science course” and regarding 30 hours for the take-home final that his test were that difficult. The UOCC will ask for more details—perhaps, a sample test—to justify 30 hours.
PS379–Ready to vote.