

Minutes

Present: Fink, Lowry, Lando, Wang, Renker, Childs, Kehres, Long-VanBrocklyn, Heiden, Renker, Lynd

**Proposal to create a new undergraduate B.A. major in World Literatures
Comparative Studies 273, course change request (title change)
Comparative Studies 573, new course request (World Literature: Theory and Practice)
Guest: Marge Lynd, Academic Programs, Comparative Studies**

Marge Lynd presented the proposal to create a major in World Literatures, and the two course requests. The committee had a number of concerns about the proposal, and tabled it until next meeting.

Summary of concerns:

- The list of courses should be used to maintain the integrity of the discipline, not to use literature to teach a discipline.
- The focus seems to contradict the breadth in the sample program.
- Clarify in the requirements how many courses can be taken at the 200- or 300-level.
- There was concern about the few number of courses offered in the Latin-American focus area.
- If this major can accommodate students that are interested in Language Arts Education, this should be included in the proposal.

African-American and African Studies 691, course change request

Change to number, title, level, prerequisites, and description

African-American and African Studies 690, course change request

Change to number, title, level, prerequisites, and description

African-American and African Studies 101, course change request

Change to number and description

Guest: Paulette Pierce, Chair of Undergraduate Studies, African-American and African Studies

Paulette Pierce explained the background for these changes, and explained that a change to the undergraduate program is underway and will be submitted soon.

AAAS 691 was approved, contingent on:

- Eliminating the grammatical errors
- Including space for the instructor contact information
- Separating the course requirements
- Fixing the academic misconduct statement

The other courses were deferred to the next meeting.

African-American and African Studies 705.03, new course request

Graduate Seminar in West African Society and Culture

African-American and African Studies 705.04, new course request

Study Abroad to Western Africa

These courses were deferred to the next meeting.

French 404, course change request

French 601, course change request

French 714, course change request

French 741, course change request

Change prerequisites of the courses

Approved.