

Minutes

Present: Childs, Heiden, Renker, Fink, Benner, Lowry, Lando, Schoen (guest)

Discussion regarding an Undergraduate Research Number

Jennifer and Steve will draft a letter to undergraduate chairs and department chairs presenting the ideas and the issues that were raised.

Russian 523, course change request, change of title and description

Approved, contingent:

- Same prerequisite issue as the two preceding courses.
- Academic misconduct and disability services statements need to be added.
- A clearer articulation of the requirements students must complete to be successful in the course is needed.

Russian 350/H350 new course requests

Masterpieces of 20th and 21st Century Russian Literature

Approved, contingent:

- The committee feels that this course is next in the chronological order to Russian 250, and should have the number 251. Keeping the course lower division (300-level courses are considered upper-division) will also keep this course substantially different than the 523 course. If this were to be a 300-level course, the requirements are very light.
- This course would not be approved without modification for 350, but would be approved under 251.
- Include GEC language on the syllabus (category, how it meets the outcomes for the category, etc).
- On the Honors version - if 15 is really the intended number of students (as listed on the cover sheet), you may want to consider this course as an Honors-embedded course.

Slavic 700, new course request (previously offered as a 792)

Introduction to Slavic and East European Studies

Approved, contingent:

- The sample syllabus should list the correct course and title in all places.
- On the first page, the first bullet, first line - remove the commas.
- A breakdown of class participation is needed. 30% is quite high, and students will want to see more information on what the participation percentage is based on.

History 584, new course request

Modern Intelligence History

Approved, contingent:

- Add due dates for papers and essays on the calendar
- Fix the percentage distributions

History 381, new course request

Wars of Empire

Approved, contingent:

- Can other versions be taught, e.g., Asia? If it is Modern European Wars of Empire, a title change will be needed.
- What is the expected section size?
- Quizzes are listed under requirements but are not found anywhere else.