
Colleges of the Arts and Sciences
Committee on Curriculum and Instruction
Subcommittee A
Minutes
February 7, 2005
9:30 – 11:00 am

Present: Adelson, Baker, Hume, Fraatz, Greenfield, Lowry, Mangum, Schoen, Sylvan,

Resubmitted Proposal for an Undergraduate Major in Film Studies

Deferred until response is received from John Davidson.

Molecules, Men and History: Proposal for a New Multidisciplinary GEC Course in the Natural Sciences

Approved contingent upon S. Fisher working out the logistics of getting release time from Bio 101.

International Studies Minor Review

Approved

General discussion of ways to encourage faculty to propose multidisciplinary courses

Suggestions for publicizing multidisciplinary activities included: all members informally mentioning the available funding at their own departmental meetings; getting a sample proposal up on the web as well as the names of approved courses/program for others to use as a resource; mentioning the funding at tomorrow's Faculty Senate meeting (D. Sylvan will contact Lisa Florman about this); and advertising in OSU Today and OnCampus.

Freshman Common Book Experience

L. Greenfield gave an overview of the background of this program. The committee would like to see more faculty participation in the entire process including the book/topic selection process. The committee would like to send a list of three choices out to the faculty and ask for preferences. They narrowed the choices down to Democracy and Voting Rights (combined into one topic), The Future of American Public Education, and The Right Stuff: Space Exploration and the Quest for Knowledge. L. Greenfield, or other members of the planning committee, would like to try to make presentations at each college's executive committee meetings.