ASCC 9/29/2017

200 Bricker Hall 8:30-10:30am

Approved Minutes

# ATTENDEES: Aski, Bitters, Chamberlain, Coleman, Daly, Fink, Fletcher, Hans, Haddad, Heckler, Jenkins, King, Kline, Lam, Oldroyd, Palazzi, Ries, Roup, Savage, Smith, Taleghani-Nikazm, Vaessin, Vankeerbergen

1. Welcome and introductions (ASCC Chair)
2. Approval of 4-21-17 minutes

* Vaessin, Kline, unanimously approved

1. Panel updates

* NMS
  + Chemistry 1622 – approved with one reminder
  + Chemistry 2990 – approved with one contingency, one recommendation, and one suggestion
  + Chemistry 5230 – approved with three recommendations and one contingency
  + Chemistry 5240 – approved with four reminders and suggestions and two contingencies
  + Earth Sciences 5790.10 – approved with two recommendations and two contingencies
  + Earth Sciences 5797.10 – approved with two recommendations and one contingency
  + Molecular Genetics 4700 – approved with two contingencies
* A&H1
  + English 4450 – approved
  + History 2675 – approved with one contingency and one recommendation
  + History 2705 – approved with one recommendation
  + History 2800 – approved
  + History 5710 – approved
  + Music 8872 – approved
  + Philosophy 2850 – approved with two contingencies and one recommendation
  + Religious Studies 3679 – approved with one contingency and two recommendations
  + Spanish 4689S – approved with two comments
* A&H2
  + Design 5750 – approved
  + English 2367.06 – approved with one contingency
  + Music 3364 – approved with one contingency and three recommendations
  + Music 6752 – approved
  + Music 7805.01 – approved with one recommendation
  + Music 7805.02 – approved with one recommendation
  + Russian 5630 – approved with one contingency
* SBS
  + Political Science 4385 & 4385E – approved with three contingencies and one recommendation
  + Political Science 4784 and 4784E – approved with two contingencies and one recommendation
  + Political Science 7312 – approved
  + Political Science 7336 – approved
  + Political Science 8000 – approved
* Assessment
  + Reviewed 11 assessment plans from Course Set S4
  + Reviewed 9 GE assessment reports

1. ASCC Annual Report & First-year Seminar Report (2016-2017)

* Annual report: Highlights work that ASCC and the ASCC panels did in 2016-17 academic year.
  + Provides an overview of assessment activities
  + Overview of new programs and program revisions approved at both the graduate and undergraduate level
  + Data on approved courses includes GE courses, non-GE courses, graduate courses, course revisions, and withdrawn GE courses
  + Member question: Is there a statement in the handbook that explains the rationale for putting courses in limbo and withdrawing courses?
    - Yes, on page 19 of the 2016-17 handbook. OAA also communicates with departments regarding courses that have not recently been offered.
  + Suggestion: encourage departments to make sure their advising documents, course bulletins, and other documents reflect the changes in courses that have been put in limbo or withdrawn.
    - ASC can remind departments to do this
* First-Year Seminars
  + 44 seminars being offered this Autumn semester
  + Most courses are filled (18 student maximum), but some are allowed to run with less than the minimum enrollment of 12 to encourage the program with both students and faculty.
  + College decided to revive the program 2 years ago, resulting in the large increase in enrollment from the 2015-16 academic year to the 2016-17 academic year.
  + FYS are an important part of the first-year experience. They provide time with professors, small class sizes, and other benefits. Increased attention was given to FYS once issues with conversion were finalized.
    - The College increased the stipend for teaching FYS.
  + Both students and faculty give positive feedback about their experiences in FYS.
  + The GE committee is considering a fusion of the FYS and survey for the new GE. The course would be 3 credit hours and faculty-taught.
  + Advisors did an excellent job advising students to take first-year seminars.

1. Revision to Data Analytics Major: Addition of Data Visualization Specialization (Guests: Maria Palazzi & Christopher Hans)

* Revision reviewed by NMS and A&H2
* DA is an interdisciplinary program that starts with a foundational core curriculum. Initially created with 3 specializations (Business Analytics, Computational Analytics, Biomedical Informatics) with a fourth added about one year ago (Social Science Analytics). All specializations follow the core curriculum. This is not a change of the core curriculum, but an addition of a new specialization.
* Worked with ACCAD to create this specialization
* Students will have a lot of programming experience from the core curriculum before beginning the specialization. They will then work to build visual literacy in specialization and learn to use tools to create visuals.
* Has concurrences from multiple departments (Department of Art, Department of Arts Administration, Education and Policy, and Department of History of Art)
* Are internships built in this?
  + Would like to eventually attract non-profits and for-profits to campus to work with students in capstone course
  + Would also like students in other majors involved in capstone course (writing, art, etc.)
* Committee suggestion: service-learning may be a good option for this specialization
* NMS letter, Vaessin, **unanimously approved**

1. New--BA Italian Studies

* Italian Studies differs from the Italian BA by requiring fewer Italian language courses and allowing more English language courses.
* Other universities have launched similar programs and enrollment has increased. There seems to be a trend of offering Italian Studies programs in addition to Italian as enrollments in languages drop.
* Designed to overlap with History of Art, History, Classics, and other programs so students can double major in these programs.
* Addition of one 3000 level course already developed and one 4000 level topics course is being proposed.
* Committee member question: by offering this major, will it draw students away from the Italian BA or the Italian minor?
  + It could possibly impact the enrollment for the Italian minor.
* Committee member question: do other languages offer similar programs? (e.g. German and German Studies?)
  + There are universities that offer programs like this (e.g. German Studies at University of Michigan). Here at OSU, the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures has discussed it but faculty have major concerns.
  + It is a way to maintain both language and culture study while adjusting to decreased enrollment in languages university-wide
* **The proposal has some mistakes with the four-year plan:**
  + **Has three Physical Science courses. Needs one less Physical Science course and the addition of a Biological Science course**
  + **Only has 119 credit hours – need 121 credit hours**
  + **History of Art 2002 currently listed as GE History. It can be either VPA or History (if students want to take a different GE History course).**
  + **GE Global Studies/GE Social Diversity can overlap with other GE categories.**
* A&H2, Lam, **unanimously approved** with one abstention and **one contingency (in bold above)**

1. Revision Master of Music in Piano Performance

* The revision is an increase of credit hours from 30 to 32.
* The revision includes the addition of a new course 2 credit hour recital (7805.02). Additionally, the School of Music revised an existing course (7805.01).
* Rationale for revision: students need both solo and concerto experience
* A&H2 Panel had a discussion with School of Music on requirement for syllabus rather than a simple course description for Music 7805.01 and 7805.02.
  + Feedback to department: students in every course need a syllabus that includes expectations and required disability and academic misconduct statements. School of Music presented Panel with a “Statement of Understanding” they will have students sign for the classes. It does not seem as complete as the Panel would like to see. However, since it is a graduate course, the School of Music will be given more leeway.
* A&H2 letter, Aski, **unanimously approved**

Additional notes from Chair and Steve Fink:

* GE Revision:
  + The GE revision will be discussed soon at ASCC. Panels, especially NMS and SBS, should discuss GE in upcoming meetings.
  + ASC will vote on their own GE. The college can require additional categories, like foreign language, if the universal GE does not include these desired categories
  + GE committee is encouraging participation with the revision and implementation of the new GE.
* A meeting will once again take place this semester with the Directors of Undergraduate Studies from each department.