ASCC 3/5/2021

CarmenZoom meeting 9:00-11:00am

Approved Minutes

# ATTENDEES: Bitters, Coleman, Craigmile, Daniels, Hilty, Horn, Hubbe, Jenkins, Kline, Lam, Li, Ludsin, Martin, Miriti, Oldroyd, Panero, Putikka, Romero, Rush, Samuels, Steinmetz, Vankeerbergen, Vasey, Vu, Wilson

AGENDA:

1. Approval 2-19-21 minutes
* Samuels, Wilson, **approved** with **one abstention**
1. Revision Anthropology PhD & discontinue admission in terminal MA (guest: Mark Hubbe)
* The Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel reviewed and approved a proposal to revise the Anthropology PhD and discontinue admission to the terminal MA. The revised curriculum focuses on three themes, which are the current strengths of the Department: Human Evolutionary History, Society and Environment, and Biocultural Perspectives on Health. The revised program has more training on research methods, develops students’ skills for both academic and non-academic career paths, follows NAS graduate STEM recommendations, and shortens time to degree.
* Committee member question: Did the Department work with anyone on the revision?
	+ The Department worked with Teresa Johnson to design the goals and curriculum map.
* Committee member question: Was it difficult to shift the program to find alternative paths for PhDs outside academia?
	+ Faculty in the Department discussed this issue the most during the revision process. We had to rethink how to advise and mentor students for alternative career paths. There is a lot of skill overlap but no mentorship. Faculty need to be supportive of non-academic career paths. We also looked for ways to give more flexible opportunities for learning, such as a shift of focus from only thesis writing to communication.
	+ Committee member comment: Shift the focus to non-academic careers is a focus in the College. Anthropology can talk with other departments on how to support graduate study for non-academic careers.
* SBS letter, Steinmetz, **unanimously approved**
1. Panel updates
* A&H2
	+ Theatre 2367.03 – approved with one contingency and two recommendations
	+ Spanish 4556 – approved with one contingency and three recommendations
	+ French 2802 – approved with two recommendations
	+ Jewish Studies 3220 – approved with two contingencies
	+ History 3580 – approved with three recommendations
	+ Theatre 2000.12 – approved with one recommendation
	+ History of Art 5645 – approved with two contingencies and two recommendations
* A&H1
	+ Italian 2056 – approved with one contingency and three recommendations
	+ FRIT 3301 – approved with one contingency and one recommendation
	+ FRIT 8302 – approved with one contingency
	+ FRIT 5671 – approved with three recommendations
	+ Art Education 5470.01 – approved with three contingencies and four recommendations
	+ ASC 1138.xx – First-year Seminar – S. Neville – approved with two recommendations
	+ ASC 1138.xx – First-year Seminar – D. Brakke – approved with one recommendation
	+ French 2803.01 – approved with one contingency
* SBS
	+ Economics 8724 – approved with one recommendation
	+ Anthropology 5702 – approved
	+ WGSS 2260 – approved
	+ SHS 4520 – approved with one contingency and one recommendation
	+ ASC xx – First-year Seminar – F. Leite – approved with one recommendation
* NMS
	+ Did not approve courses
* Assessment
	+ Assessment report – History 3232
	+ History 3013 – approved with four recommendations
	+ Psychology 2300 – approved with one contingency and one recommendation
	+ Design 2700 – approved with one recommendation
	+ Design 2750 – approved with two recommendations
	+ Italian 2055 – approved with one recommendation
* Themes
	+ Forms are currently being developed. Course submissions for Themes should begin soon.