ASCC Natural and Mathematical Sciences Subcommittee

Approved Minutes

Wednesday, April 23rd, 2025

12:30PM - 2:00PM

CarmenZoom

Attendees: Carlson, Cole, Dinan, Hadad, Hilty, Lee, Vankeerbergen

- 1) Approval of 03/26/2025 Minutes
 - Cole, Lee, unanimously approved
- 2) Mathematics 5638 (new course)
 - The Subcommittee ask that more information be provided on the course assignments (syllabus page 2) so that they may gain a more thorough understanding of student workload. This information will also be beneficial to students so that they may understand the expectations of these assignments.
 - The Subcommittee noted a discrepancy in the prerequisites for the course. In the course syllabus, the prerequisites are listed as Math 2568 or equivalent, Math 4530 or Stat 4201 or equivalent, Stat 4202 or equivalent, and Math 5637. In curriculum.osu.edu the prerequisites are listed as "2568 (or equivalent), STAT 4202 and 5637; or department permission". The Subcommittee asks that it be clarified which prerequisites are correct. Additionally, if the prereqs inputted in curriculum.osu.edu are correct, they ask that they be changed to "2568 (or equivalent), 5637, and Stat 4202; or department permission" to ensure the Registrar inputs the correct prerequisites.
 - The Subcommittee noted that there are not plus or minus grades assigned to the grading scale. They would like to provide a friendly recommendation to consider including a short statement informing students these grades will not be awarded within this course.
 - The Subcommittee noted that in the provided curriculum maps, the BA degrees for the Actuarial Science and Math majors are still listed within the title. They remind the department that the BA versions of those majors are scheduled for deactivation and should likely be removed from the curriculum map.

- Carlson, Lee, **unanimously approved** with **two contingencies** (in bold above) and *two recommendations* (in italics above)
- 3) Physics 1125 (new course requesting GEN Foundation: Natural Sciences) (Return)
 - Lee, Carlson, unanimously approved
- 4) Biology 3050 (new course)
 - The Subcommittee noted that on page 5 of the syllabus, the total number of points in the grade breakdown add up to 505 and not 625 as indicated. They recommend that this be corrected prior to the information being distributed to students. The total of 625 points does appear elsewhere in the syllabus and all instances should be updated accordingly.
 - The Subcommittee noted that there was an opportunity to create media such as podcasts as part of the course assignments. They recommend providing information within the syllabus that informs students of resources on how to create podcasts and where or how they may do so.
 - Cole, Lee, **unanimously approved** with *two recommendations* (in italics above)