

ASCC Natural and Mathematical Sciences Subcommittee

Approved Minutes

Wednesday, May 7th, 2025

12:30PM – 2:00PM

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Attendees: Barker, Carlson, Cole, Dinan, Hadad, Hilty, Lee, Marsch, Mick, Vankeerbergen

- 1) Approval of 04/23/2025 Minutes
 - Lee, Carlson, **approved** with **one abstention**
- 2) Astronomy 1100 (new course requesting 100% DL and GEN Foundation: Natural Sciences) (Return)
 - *The Subcommittee recommends updating the Religious Accommodations statement (syllabus pages 21-22), the Diversity Statement (syllabus page 19), and the Land Acknowledgment statement, as the Office of Institutional Equity has been changed and ODI and the CBSC have been sunset. The updated statements can be found on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).*
 - Cole, Lee, **unanimously approved** with *one recommendation* (in italics above)
- 3) Molecular Genetics 2500.01 (new course)
 - The Subcommittee noted that this course was submitted under 2500.01 instead of simply 2500. They would like to ask the department if they intend to submit a 2500.02 version of the course in the near future and, if so, what the differences between these two courses will be.
 - *The Subcommittee recommends updating the Religious Accommodations statement (syllabus page 7), as the Office of Institutional Equity has been changed. The updated statement can be found on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).*
 - Carlson, Lee, **unanimously approved** with one question and *one recommendation* (in italics above)
- 4) Biology 3730 (new course requesting GEN Theme: Origins and Evolution)
 - **The Subcommittee would like to see the communications regarding concurrence from both the Department of Anthropology and EEOB be uploaded into the proposal.**
 - **The Subcommittee would like to know if this will be an elective option for the Biology major and, if so, the faculty request that CLSE include an updated curriculum map.**
 - **The Subcommittee noted that Biology 1112 was not listed as a prerequisite option and would like to ask the unit if this was intentional or if it should be added to a list of appropriate prerequisites.**
 - *The Subcommittee recommends updating the Religious Accommodations statement (syllabus pages 6-7) and the Diversity Statement (syllabus pages 9-10), as the Office of Institutional Equity has been changed and ODI and the CBSC have been sunset. The updated statements can be found on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).*

- Cole, Barker, **unanimously approved** with **three contingencies** (in bold above) and *one recommendation* (in italics above)

5) Microbiology 4800 (new course)

- The Subcommittee noted that within the syllabus, the prerequisites mention requiring a grade of C- or above in order to enroll within the course. This stipulation has not been inputted into the curriculum.osu.edu system. If the department wishes to enforce a grade of C- or above, it will need to be inputted within curriculum.osu.edu. Should the department wish to make this adjustment, the staff in the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services Office can happily make this administrative change prior to advancing the proposal.
- *The Subcommittee recommends providing information on how the recommended textbook (page 1 of the syllabus) will be correlated to the course materials and topics each week to allow students an opportunity to further engage in topics as they see fit.*
- *The Subcommittee recommends updating the following syllabus statements, as they are outdated. The updated statements can be found on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).*
 - *SLDS (syllabus page 7)*
 - *Mental Health (syllabus page 7)*
- Lee, Barker, **unanimously approved** with one question and *two recommendations* (in italics above)