

WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY  
MACRICOSTAS SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE  
Program Review Committee Minutes  
November 8<sup>th</sup> 2019  
Warner Hall 315

Members present: Michelle Brown (Dean), Paul Echeverria, Rondall Khoo, Jess Kraybill, Forest J. Robertson (chair), and Mike Shoushani.

Guests present: Robert Eisenson, Albert Owino, and Stuart Dalton.

Meeting called to order 10:01AM

- I. Prior Minutes:  
Approval of October minutes (Khoo/Shoushani, 6-0-0).
  
- II. Announcements  
Change to CUCAS bylaws were discussed: It was unanimously agreed that if a cross-list (course revision) is to be added to a current course, then the proposal needs to have approval from affected Departments, affected PRCs, and the Provost.
  
- III. Old Business
  1. CS 1XX – New Course: Computer Animation and Scripting (Joel) (CD1920038)  
Discussion on this course will be tabled for now.
  
- IV. New Business
  1. MTR 260 – Practicum in Weathercasting: Addition of OC competency (Eisenson) (CD1920060)  
Motion to approve course (Echeverria/Shoushani, 0-6-0). Not approved due to lack of a course proposal; a syllabus was submitted. Discussion ensued on the number of credits for this course, specifically if 3 credits (as opposed to the current 2 credits) might better represent the amount of work required.
  
  2. MTR 450 – Senior Research in Meteorology: Addition of CE and W3 competencies (Eisenson) (CD1920059)  
Motion to approve course (Khoo/Echeverria, 0-6-0). Not approved due to lack of a course proposal; a syllabus was submitted. Rob and Albert will look for original documents to revise. Discussion again ensued on the number of credits for this course, like MTR 260, this course is currently 2 credits, but the workload seems to indicate that it should be 3 credits.
  
  3. HUM 2XX – New Course: Conspiracy Theory (Stephenson) (CD1920067)  
Motion to approve course (Brown/Kraybill, Approved pending changes 6-0-0). Changes to the 3 year course rotation: the AMST senior seminar listed will be removed from the

course outline, along with any other classes that were solely part of the AMST program, as the course rotation can only list current classes.

4. The meeting ended with a discussion highlighting the importance of the PRC taking the perspective of the school, rather than any individual department. Because we don't have a senate model but rather a representative model; it would be an egregious misuse of our power for members of our body to vote or bring up discussion solely from the perspective of our own departments. As members of the PRC, we represent our school, not our departments.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jess Kraybill