

University of Washington
Faculty Council on Academic Standards
January 13, 2011
1:30-3:00 p.m.
Gerberding Hall 142

Meeting Synopsis:

- 1) Call to Order
 - 2) Approval of the Minutes of November 4, 2011
 - 3) SCAP Report
 - 4) New Items of Business
 - 5) Adjournment
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1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Brad Holt at 1:32 p.m., standing in for Chair John Schaufelberger who is travelling.

2. Approval of the Minutes of December 16, 2011

Minutes from the December 16th, 2011 FCAS meeting were approved.

3. SCAP Report (Brad Holt)

• **Consent agenda (routine actions)**

1. **Dance** - ([DANCE-20111128A](#)) Revised program requirements for the minor in Dance.

Background: The Dance program wants to add some new courses to their approved list of electives and technical electives.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 – Approve and forward to FCAS.

2. **Dance** - ([DANCE-20111128B](#)) Revised program requirements for the option in Creative Studies within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Dance.

Background: The Dance program wants to add some new courses to their approved list of technical electives.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 - Approve and forward to FCAS.

3. **Dance** - ([DANCE-20111128C](#)) Revised program requirements for the option in Dance Studies within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Dance.

Background: The Dance program wants to add some new courses to their approved list of electives and technical electives.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 – Approve and forward to FCAS.

4. **Jackson School of International Studies** - ([JSIS-20110920F](#)) Revised program requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Jewish Studies.

Background: The Jackson School has updated its prefixes effective AUT/2012 which needs to be reflected in the catalog copy. Also the Jewish Studies major wants to eliminate the capstone requirement and revise the

Hebrew Language requirement to add flexibility for students who already are fluent in Hebrew when they declare the major.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 - Approve and forward to FCAS.

All routine items were approved

• **Non-routine actions**

1. **Education, Learning, and Society - (ELS-20111216)** Revised program requirements for the minor in Education, Learning, and Society.

Background: The ELS minor wants to add some courses to their specified list of Learning and Development courses; add a course to their approved Schooling and Society list; add courses to the specified list of approved Field Experience courses; change the prefix/number of the capstone/colloquium course; and restrict Early Childhood and Family Studies majors from the minor.

Note: I am not aware of minors being able to further restrict classes applied to a minor (PSYCH 306) and major (ECFS students) beyond the FCAS established requirements.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 – Pending approval. SCAP wants a justification for restricting Early Childhood and Family Studies majors from the interdisciplinary minor. Edit out statement about "PSYCH majors only" after PSYCH 306. 1/10/2012 update: College agrees to remove PSYCH and ECFS restrictions.

SCAP requested to remove restrictions, which agreed. **Motion Passed.**

2. **Mechanical Engineering - (ME-20111206)** Create a new option in Nanoscience and Molecular Engineering within the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering degree; revised admission requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering degree and revised program requirements for the option in Mechatronics within the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering degree.

Background: The department wants to create a new option in NME, following suit with the other ENGR departments on campus. They also want to update their admission catalog copy to include Direct Freshman Admissions; add admission to the NME option; and remove HCDE 231 as an admissions requirement. Finally they want to change one of the required courses for the Mechatronics options from M E 498 to M E 494.

SCAP Action Taken: 01/06/2012 – Pending approval. SCAP wants to see a departmental continuation policy before sending to FCAS. 01/10/2012 update: Department submitted continuation policy, SCAP requested clarification on section 4. Waiting for a response.

Committee can hold off on this. Holt noted that data hasn't been obtained regarding freshmen entry.

4. New Items of Business

Questions arose regarding email recruitment of FCAS members for the University Disciplinary Committee. Virjean Edwards is chairing the committee and she described the role of the committee.

John Sahr alerted of a bill in the Washington State Legislature ([HB 2436](#)) requiring a quarterly advising, noting this would cost the state millions of dollars. He posed questions about implementation of such a program in this financial climate and requested to know if FCAS should comment on this. It was suggested that this would overwhelm advisors' workload, and would deprioritize cases which truly require resources. Jessica Thompson at the Office of Planning and Budgeting was noted to be able to provide the impact of such policy.

5. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. by Brad Holt.

Minutes by Jay Freistadt, Faculty Council Support Analyst. jayf@u.washington.edu

Present: **Faculty:** Cunningham, Holt, Janssen, Keil, Kramer, Pengra, Taggart
 President's Designee: Ballinger
 Ex-Officio Reps: Williams, Fugate
 Guests: Wiegand, Sahr, Edwards, Corbett, Wensel, Kollet

Absent: **Faculty:** Schaufelberger (Chair), Almgren, Holman, Stroup
 Ex Officio Rep: Smith