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Curriculum Committee Minutes

College of Liberal Arts Minutes and Reports

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Minutes, Curriculum Committee Meeting, Tuesday, May 5, 2020

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Curriculum Committee Meeting: May 5, 2020 Location: WebEx room

Voting members:		
	□Samuel Alvarez	
✓ Valerie Summet		Guests:
⊠ Brian Mosby	Non-voting members:	
⊠ Kip Kiefer	☐ Emily Russell	
⊠ Caitlin Mohr		☐ Tiffany Griffin
	⊠ Rob Sanders	⊠ Steve Booker
	☐ Kyle Bennett	⊠ Erik Kenyon
	☐ Wisly Zephir	☐ Karla Knight
Steven Schoen	☐ Valerie Cepero	☐ Gabriel Barreneche
☐ Rachel Simmons	☐ Breanna Obando	
⊠ Gloria Cook	☐ Mariia Shvydkina	
⊠ Sarah Parsloe	☐ Ashley Kistler	
⊠ Rochelle Elva		

Agenda

1. Approve minutes from the March 31, 2020 meeting - Approved

There was a lot of talk about how our enrollment has changed for next year and what grade system we will use for Maymester in summer of 2020, it is clear that we will use a letter grade system for the summer, to change this, we would have to submit it to faculty.

2. Sub-committee reports

- a. New course
- b. Academic Appeals
- c. EC report
- d. Registration
- e. SGA

3. Old business

a. **Holt Transfer Policy**: this policy had been approved and also approved by EC, but Rob noticed an inconsistency regarding college level examination program (CLEP). The wording was confusing. He is proposing to drop second sentence-item number 2 that states that CLEP exams must be completed and official score results received prior to the term in which a student matriculates in the Holt School. This statement contradicts the previous statement which allows for CLEP exams to be accepted before completion of 60 hours. Change is approved and passed.

b. **FCMP changes**: CC made some changes to the FCMP document that were presented them to the Foreign Language Department for review. The changes are as follows: (1) This version of the F-Comp policy starts with how to fulfill the F-Comp and later discusses the exemption policy (flips the order of these topics). (2) Added Hebrew to the list of languages that can fulfill the F-Comp. (3) In light of the Rollins "Finish in Four" policy, language was added to indicate that the college could not guarantee that Greek, Hebrew, or Japanese would be offered every semester or year. "Students who begin instruction in these languages at the 100-level might not be able to fulfill their "F" competency requirement at Rollins College. Students may not petition to receive compensation for failing to graduate in four years under the "Finish in Four" program if they choose one of these languages and are unable to complete the sequence in a timely fashion." (4) Mild format changes were made to the document to make it more in-line with the curriculum handbook.

Martina explains that the Foreign Languages department is ok with changes we made to this policy recently but there is still a question remaining their exemption policy regarding taking the exam n through International English Language Testing System (IELTS) after they matriculate at Rollins. They agreed to remove the sentence [This test cannot be taken after admission to serve as a means of exemption] if we think that it doesn't make sense. This is not a substantive change so it does not need to go through the faculty again, only notification to EC. This change is approved by CC now.

4. New business

a. Changes to PPE and ECO majors

Don Davison talks, he and Martina explain that ECO 202 is a gatekeeper course for economics and it creates problems for scheduling. Many students take BUS 203 before ECO 202 or they come in with an equivalent of ECO 203 so we want to drop ECO 202 as a prerequisite for ECO 203. We want to simplify things to increase flexibility. Similarly, we want to remove ECO 202 and 203 as prerequisites for ECO 221 so that students can take classes in any order, including ECO 221 (statistics also good for PPE). This change will also make it better for students in the new Data Analytics minor. The changes is approved and passed.

b. **Grade policy regarding transfers** Martina mentions a letter from American Association of Community Colleges. Current Rollins policy: a P grade is a grade that is C- or higher, if the transfer student comes in with a D, they have to appeal to be approved. Stephanie H asks if we could be more lenient and accept D as passing, we don't know if the student was offered to opt into P/NP system, this situation is special. A suggestion is made that we need to look at each school the students come from and investigate whether P equals D or P equals C- and above to avoid many appeals in the future.

The CC ends up agreeing that for those transfer students for whom we can see their letter grade, P equals C- or higher but for those that come with P, and we can't readily know what that equals, we will accept the P!

- c. **Elections** Martina recounts that there was no chair nomination as a result of elections, also, that the CC will have to do work over the summer! Elections were postponed for now.
- 5. Announcements
- 6. Adjourn