Discovery Committee Minutes, April 20, 2016 - FINAL

Present: Norma Bazylinski, Dan Carchidi, Andy Colby J. Matthew Davis, Todd DeMitchell, Bill DeVries, Piero Garofalo, Jerry Marx, Amy Oliva, Justin Poisson, Stephen Pugh, Barb White

Absent: Kathrine Aydelott, Nelson Barber, Wayne Fagerberg, Mary Rhiel

The Committee took the following action:

Minutes

Motion: Piero Garofalo moved and Todd DeMitchell seconded approval of Minutes from 4/6/16.

Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 0. Motion passed. Minutes approved.

Course Review

NONE

Student Petitions

1. Petition to allow transfer course ENV 120: Human Geography and the World Economy from Hobart and William Smith Colleges to satisfy Discovery WC requirement.

Vote: Yes: 0; No: 5; Abs: 1. Petition denied. (jlcola04042016)

2. Petition to allow transfer course PO SC 1010: American National Government from Clemson to satisfy Discovery HP requirement.

Vote: Yes: 0; No: 5; Abs: 0. Petition denied. (jfceps03282016)

3. Petition to allow 5 week summer abroad program Energy Tomorrow to satisfy Discovery WC requirement.

Vote: Yes: 0; No: 5; Abs: 1. Petition denied. (jkceps04042016)

Other Items

1. The committee discussed the current policy regarding over enrolling INQ courses. This semester PAUL College had their fourth occurrence of over enrolling ADMN 575. The department chair asked if there was a time limit for the length of the probation. The Committee decided that the department will be on probation for a full academic year (May 2016 through May 2017). If there are no over enrollment infractions at the end of May 2017 the probation will end and the record for ADMN 575 will be cleared. At this point, the department will be monitored according to standard policy (e.g. 3 warnings and then one year probation prior to attribute removal – see below).

The committee agreed to amend the policy to add a one year probation time limit.

2. Continuation of World Cultures Requirement Discussion

The committee discussed the history of the 8 week time frame for World Cultures credit. The committee discussed whether or not the experience abroad needed to be connected to an academic experience. The committee discussed the potential of creating a 1 or 2 credit course, perhaps offered through INCO for students who complete an overseas experience that is shorter than 8 weeks. This new 1 or 2 credit academic course could be developed to have students reflect and make sense of their experience abroad. The committee will continue the discussion at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:42.

Submitted by Renate Jurden