Discovery Committee Minutes, February 14, 2024 (Zoom)

Present: Nicky Gullace (chair), Kathrine Aydelott (vice-chair), Sachiko Akiyama, Chris Bauer, Tammy Conrad, Lara Demarest, Meaghan Dittrich, Roger Grinde, Cassie Lafleur, Lisa MacFarlane, Greg McMahon, Timothy Montminy, Sarah Prescott, Laura Upham

Absent: Paul Bonzani, Catherine Pebbles

I. Welcome and Announcements

II. Action Items

- Minutes
  
  Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded approval of the January 31, 2024, meeting minutes.
  
  Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Abstain 0. Minutes approved.

- Student Petitions
  
  1. Request to allow multiple semesters of UNH course THDA 563: Theatre Dance II to satisfy FPA. Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Abstain 0. Petition approved. (sdcols013124)
  
  Nicky will draft a motion for the Faculty Senate regarding updating the requirement.

  2. Request to allow Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Science transfer course LIB 112: Expository Writing to satisfy HUMA Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Abstain 0. Petition approved. (rceps020624)

- Course Approvals
  
  1. GEO 580: Human Geography People & Places – SS
     
     Existing course - updating course title and description.
     
     Motion: Timothy Montminy moved and Chris Bauer seconded approval of GEO 580 for SS.
     
     Vote: Yes 7, No 0, Abs 0. Motion passed. Course approved.

  2. MATH 445: Math & Applications with MATLAB – ETS
     
     Existing course – updating pre-requisites
     
     Motion: Timothy Montminy moved and Greg McMahon seconded approval of MATH 445 for ETS.
     
     Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abs 1. Motion passed. Course approved.

     Request to have syllabus updated to include Discovery Category and SLOs will be sent.

- CPS-Online Courses for Discovery
  
  1. CRIM 410: Intro to Criminology – INQ
     
     Motion: Greg McMahon moved and Kathrine Aydelott seconded approval of CRIM 410 for INQ. Vote: Yes 0, No 8, Abs 0. Motion failed. Course denied.

     It will be communicated that the course did not fit INQ guidelines.

  2. HRM 635: Managing Conflict – INQ
     
     Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded approval of HRM 635 for INQ. Vote: Yes 0, No 8, Abs 0. Motion failed. Course denied.

     It will be communicated that the course did not fit INQ guidelines.

  3. ART 512: Fundamentals of Design – FPA
     
     Motion: Greg McMahon moved and Kathrine Aydelott seconded tabling ART 512 for FPA.
     
     Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abs 0. Motion passed. Course tabled.

     It will be communicated that the course needs to have more artistic principles and activities.

     Additionally, there was an error on the syllabus that needs correcting.

III. Discussion

- Nicky shared that she communicated with CEPS Associate Dean Sharon McCrone that due to the loss of CEITL, the committee voted to end the formal Inquiry training for TAs instructing certain courses, see January 31, 2024 minutes and the training materials have been shared.

- There was a brief discussion regarding the format of CIM course proposals. The current format has red and green text to indicate changes and additions to courses. Unfortunately, the text is also underlined making it difficult to read. A different format is available that does not underline text, but it is not in color, making it less obvious what is changing. Nicky and Lara will look at both formats to see if there is anything we can do to make the proposals easier to read.

Meeting adjourned 2:00 pm

Next meeting February 28, 2024