

Discovery Committee Minutes, October 20, 2021

Present (Zoom): Nicky Gullace (chair), Kathrine Aydelott (vice chair), Jay Colbert, Andy Colby, Tammy Conrad, Lara Demarest, Lou Ann Griswold, Greg McMahon, Jesse Stabile Morrell, Catherine Peebles, Sarah Prescott, Kylee Rock

Absent: Laure Barillas, Dawn Meredith

I. Welcome and Announcements

Chair Nicky Gullace called the meeting to order at 12:45pm. Kylee Rock, the new Student Senate Representative, was introduced and welcomed to the committee. Nicky noted the sad and sudden passing of Professor Karsten Pohl, a longtime member and of the Physics and Astronomy Department.

II. Action Items

- Minutes

Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded approval of the minutes of the October 6, 2021 meeting. **Vote:** Yes 5; No 0; Abs 0 **Motion passed.**

- Course Proposals / Reviews

- COLA

- ITAL 444C – Feelings: A Cultural History – HUMA/INQ/WI

At the request of DC, (see minutes from the October 6, 2021 meeting) this proposal was modified and resubmitted. The consensus was that the revised proposal is well done and should be used a model. Lara will post it on the Course Proposal Resources page on the Discovery website.

Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Lou Ann Griswold seconded approval of ITAL 444C for HUMA. **Vote:** Yes 5, No 0, Abs 0. **Motion passed**

Motion: Lou Ann Griswold moved and Sarah Prescott seconded approval of ITAL 444C for INQ. **Vote:** Yes 5, No 0, Abs 0. **Motion passed**

Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded approval of ITAL 444C for WI. **Vote:** Yes 5, No 0, Abs 0. **Motion passed**

It was noted that the attendance policy as stated in the syllabus, requiring students to drop the course or fail after 10 absences is not feasible if the absences occur after the drop deadline. Adding “withdraw” as another option resolves the issue. This suggestion will be included in the approval letter sent to the submitting faculty member.

- LLC 444C – U.S Latinx Cities: Urban Culture, Society, & Space – WC/INQ/WI

There was discussion on if the course fits the WC criteria. It was noted the course may be a better fit for HUMA. There was additional discussion regarding the INQ and WI forms. Nicky and Catherine will communicate with the submitting faculty member and request a resubmission.

- CHHS

- OT 513 – Stressed Out (*changing from variable credits to 4 credits*)
- OT 520 – Happy and Healthy at Work (*adding HMG 520 as an equivalent course*)

OT 513 is listed as variable credits but has always been taught as a 4-credit course. HMG 520 is cross-listed with OT 520 but was not included on OT 520's list of equivalent courses.

Motion: Jesse Stabile Morrell moved and Greg McMahon seconded approval of the modifications to OT 513 & OT 520.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0, Abs 0. **Motion passed.**

- Student Petitions

No student petitions were received

III. Discussion

- Online D-Lab update: Scott Kimball is replacing Tammy Conrad on the subcommittee. Nicky will prepare the report for the DC to review, discuss, and vote on.
- Early Alert Progress Report update: Mid-term alerts have gone out and feedback has been received. Nicky would like to have the Early Alert dates on the Academic Calendar. Andy stated he should be able to assist.

Meeting adjourned 1:26pm.

Submitted by Lara Demarest