

## Discovery Committee Minutes, October 21, 2015 - Final

**Present:** Barb White, Amy Oliva, Katherine Aydelott, Norma Bazylinski, Thomas Birch, Dan Carchidi, Andy Colby, J. Matthew Davis, Todd DeMitchell, Wayne Fagerberg (via email), Valentini Kalargyrou, Justin Poisson, Jason Sokol, Gregory McMahon, Jerry Marx

**Absent:** Mary Rhiel, Rosemary Caron

### Introductions

The Committee members introduced themselves. New members were welcomed.

**The Committee took the following action:**

### Minutes

**Motion:** Katherine Aydelott moved and Matt Davis seconded approval of Minutes from 9-23-15.

**Vote:** Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Motion passed. Minutes approved.**

**Motion:** Matt Davis moved and Todd DeMitchell seconded approval of Minutes from and 10-7-15.

**Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Motion passed. Minutes approved.**

### Course Review

#### COLA

HIST 444G – *Voices from Modern China* (HP/INQ/WI)

**Motion:** Gregory McMahon moved and Jason Sokol seconded to approve HP category. **Vote:** Yes: 8; No: 0; Abs: 0.

**Motion passed. HP category approved.**

**Motion:** Todd DeMitchell moved and Valentini Kalargyrou seconded to approve INQ status with stipulation.

**Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Motion passed. INQ approved with stipulation – there needs to be an explicit description in the course description and the syllabus of how students will be encouraged to develop their own questions.**

**Motion:** Todd DeMitchell moved and Valentini Kalargyrou seconded to approve WI attribute. **Vote:** Yes: 8; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Motion passed. WI approved.**

CLAS 444D – *Athens, Rome, and the Birth of the United States* – (HP/INQ/WI)

**Motion:** Matthew Davis moved and Gregory McMahon seconded to approve for HP. **Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 1.

**Motion passed. HP category approved.**

**Motion:** Katherine Aydelott moved and Valentini Kalargyrou seconded to approve for INQ attribute. **Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Motion passed. INQ course approved.**

**Motion:** Gregory McMahon moved and Matthew Davis seconded to approve for WI attribute. **Vote:** Yes: 8; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Motion passed. WI approved.**

This course is being simultaneously reviewed by the College. The Discovery Committee vote is contingent on the course receiving College approval.

#### INCO

INCO 505B – *Social Innovator's Toolbox* – SS

**Motion:** Valentini Kalargyrou moved and Jason Sokol seconded to approve for SS category. **Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Motion passed. SS category approved.**

#### UNH-M

PS 512 – *People on the Move* - SS

**Motion:** Todd DeMitchell moved and Matthew Davis seconded approval of course proposed for SS category with stipulation. **Vote:** Yes: 7; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Motion passed. SS category approved with stipulation – the course description and syllabus need to explicitly state how students will be engaged in one or more of the research methods associated with the social sciences.**

## **Student Petitions**

1. Petition to allow CLAS 401 to fulfill FPA requirement. **Vote:** 0 yes; 7 no; 0 abs. **Petition denied.** (arcolsa10132015)
2. Petition to allow Art History course taken in Dijon France to fulfill FPA requirement. Originally tabled at 9/23/15 Discovery Committee meeting. **Vote:** 7 yes; 0 no; 0 abs. **Petition approved.** (tbcepscola09012015)

## **Other Items**

Update on the 5 year review process. David Richman and Barb White are meeting with the Faculty Senate on Monday October 26 to answer any questions about the Academic Affairs committee's recommendation(s). Barb and David have not yet seen the proposal and do not yet know what the committee's recommendations are but will keep the Discovery Committee posted.

The Discovery Program office will be sending out "Cap Buster" letters. These letters are sent to any Faculty member teaching an INQ course that has over seated its cap. It is a reminder that the course went over cap. If there are repeat offenders the INQ status will be pulled.

The Discovery Program office produces reports to monitor INQ courses, caps and category offerings for each semester. With these reports we can see trends over the years within colleges and categories. These reports will be posted on the Discovery Blackboard organization.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:39pm.**

**Submitted by Renate Jurden**