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CAP COMMITTEE
Tuesday, February 2, 2016 | 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.; Kennedy Union 331

Present: Shauna Adams, Jennifer Creech, Lee Dixon, Serdar Durmusoglu, Linda Hartley (ex officio), Sawyer Hunley, Fred Jenkins (ex officio), Terence Lau (ex officio), Danielle Poe, Brandon Rush, Juan Santamarina, Shuang-Ye Wu

Excused: Riad Alakkad (ex officio), Joan Plungis, Elias Toubia

Guests: Treavor Bogard, Connie Bowman, Neil Florek, Meghan Henning, William Marvin, Leslie Picca, Mark Ryan, Jusuf Salih, Daniel Thompson, Joe Valenzano, Rebecca Whisnant

I. Course Reviews

1) CMM/REL 359: The Road to Hell: The Apocalypse in Classical and Contemporary Form (cross-listed)
   A. Course Proposal Information:
      1. Proposer and Department Chair: Joe Valenzano was present for the committee’s discussion. Co-proposer Meghan Henning and Daniel Thompson, department chair for the REL cross-listing, were also present.
      2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Integrative, Advanced Religious Studies
      3. Student Learning Outcomes: Faith Traditions (advanced), Critical Evaluation of Our Times (expanded)
   B. Discussion:
      1. The committee appreciated the inclusion of a rubric to evaluate the Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs).
      2. The committee discussed the following minor revisions for the proposal:
         a. Change CAP Category from 2 to 1.
         b. Review by Communication’s curriculum committee should be noted under the section about results of consultation within the department in which the course is to be taught. Since the course is cross-listed, the attachment from Religious Studies could be moved to this section, or a reference could be added to the next section about other departments that were consulted.
   C. Committee’s Actions:
      1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course proposal pending the minor revisions noted above. There was no further discussion.
      2. Vote: 8-0-1 (in favor-against-abstention). Sawyer Hunley, Assistant Provost for CAP, will make the changes in CIM on the proposers’ behalf.

2) REL 208: Faith Traditions: Islamic Religious Traditions
   A. Course Proposal Information:
      1. Proposer: Jusuf Salih was present for the committee’s discussion. Daniel Thompson, department chair, was also present.
      2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Faith Traditions, Diversity and Social Justice
      3. Student Learning Outcomes: Scholarship (introduced), Faith Traditions (expanded), Diversity (expanded)
   B. Discussion:
      1. The proposer clarified that the introductory developmental level was selected for the Scholarship SLO because the audience for the course is non-Islamic. The developmental level for the other SLOs is expanded.
   C. Committee’s Actions:
      1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course as written. There was no further discussion.
      2. Vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
3) **REL 368: Christian Ethics & the Business World**

   A. **Course Proposal Information:**
      1. Proposer: Mark Ryan was present for the committee’s discussion. Daniel Thompson, department chair, was also present.
      2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Practical Ethical Action, Advanced Religious Studies
      3. Student Learning Outcomes: Faith Traditions (advanced), Practical Wisdom (expanded), Critical Evaluation of Our Times (expanded)

   B. **Discussion:**
      1. It was noted that the School of Business Administration supports this course.

   C. **Committee’s Actions:**
      1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course proposal as written. There was no further discussion.
      2. Vote: 9-0-0 (for-against-abstention).

4) **EDT 322/SOC 310: Perspectives on Education and Social Justice (cross-listed)**

   A. **Course Proposal Information:**
      1. Proposer: Treavor Bogard was present for the committee’s discussion, as well as department chair Connie Bowman. Leslie Picca, department chair for the SOC cross-listing, was also present. Co-proposer Laura Leming could not be present.
      2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Inquiry, Diversity and Social Justice
      3. Student Learning Outcomes: Scholarship (expanded), Diversity (expanded), Critical Evaluation of Our Times (expanded)

   B. **Discussion:**
      1. Since this is an Inquiry course, EDT students will need to register for SOC 310 and SOC students will need to register for EDT 322. It will be co-taught by a faculty member from each discipline. Students from other disciplines can also take the course.
      2. The proposer clarified how students will compare and contrast their own discipline with the discipline of the course. It is addressed in course objective #8: “Students will reflect and compare research methodologies in the fields of education and sociology that are used to investigate contemporary social issues in schools and schooling (Scholarship).” The committee requested a revision to add language related to disciplines besides education and sociology.

   C. **Committee’s Actions:**
      1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course proposal pending the minor revision noted above. There was no further discussion. Revised wording will be sent to the Assistant Provost, who will make the changes in CIM.
      2. Vote: 9-0-0 (for-against-abstention).

5) **PHL 317: Ethics of War**

   A. **Course Proposal Information:**
      1. Proposer: William Marvin was present for the committee’s discussion. Rebecca Whisnant, incoming department chair, was also present.
      2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Practical Ethical Action, Advanced Philosophical Studies
      3. Student Learning Outcomes: Scholarship (advanced), Practical Wisdom (advanced), Critical Evaluation of Our Times (advanced)

   B. **Discussion:**
      1. The committee had positive feedback about the proposal overall. It was noted that the proposal had received several letters of support from other departments.

   C. **Committee’s Actions:**
      1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course proposal as written.
2. Further Discussion: The proposer inquired about the possible fit for this course under Crossing Boundaries-Faith Traditions. The committee noted that only one Crossing Boundaries area can be selected.
3. Vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).

6) PHL 325: Philosophy of Music
A. Course Proposal Information:
   1. Proposer: Neil Florek was present for the committee’s discussion. Rebecca Whisnant, incoming department chair, was also present.
   2. Components: Crossing Boundaries-Integrative, Advanced Philosophical Studies
   3. Student Learning Outcomes: Scholarship (expanded), Diversity (advanced)
B. Discussion:
   1. The committee had positive feedback about the proposal overall and noted, in particular, that it combines disciplines.
   2. The proposer clarified how the course will address the Catholic intellectual tradition.
C. Committee’s Actions:
   1. Motion: A motion was made and seconded to approve the course proposal as written. There was no further discussion.
   2. Vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).

II. Announcements
A. Upcoming CAPC meetings:
   1. February 9: The meeting will be cancelled because there are no course reviews.
   2. February 16: There will be two course reviews.
   3. February 23: The committee will review proposals that move forward following the AAC meeting on February 5. It is anticipated that it will not be a large number.
B. Committee’s Workload Next Year: Departments will continue to develop or revise courses for CAP, though it’s expected that the numbers will be much smaller than the past couple of years. Next year the committee will begin the four-year review of CAP courses.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Judy Owen