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CAP Committee

Friday, March 26, 2021

11:15 a.m.-1:10 p.m. via Zoom

Present: Anne Crecelius, Jon Fulkerson, Heidi Gauder, Fred Jenkins (*ex officio*), Allen McGrew, Drew Moyer, Maria Newland, Michelle Pautz, Danielle Poe, Tim Reissman, Randy Sparks (*ex officio*), Bill Trollinger

Excused: James Brill, Sabrina Neeley (*ex officio*), Scott Segalewitz (*ex officio*), David Watkins

Guests: Jana Bennett, Julie Fisher, Meghan Henning

I. Course Review

1) REL 457: Living as Marianist Student Communities

A. Course Proposal Information:

1. Proposer: Neomi De Anda could not attend. Jana Bennett and Meghan Henning were present.
2. Components: The course was previously CAP approved for Crossing Boundaries-Integrative and Advanced Religious Studies. It has been revised to add Crossing Boundaries-Faith Traditions and remove Crossing Boundaries-Integrative.
3. Institutional Learning Goals: Faith Traditions (advanced), Community (advanced), Vocation (expanded).

B. Discussion:

1. The committee appreciated the clarity of the alignment between the course learning objectives and methods of evaluation, which will facilitate assessment.
2. The committee also appreciated the clear connection to the Community ILG.

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: 8-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).

II. 4-Year Review Process

- A. Subcommittees 1 and 2 presented recommendations for a total of 13 courses. The CAP Office will compile the subcommittee's feedback, as well as additional feedback from the entire committee, which will be shared with the respective departments when the committee's decisions (reapproval for four years, conditional reapproval for two years, or non-renewal) are communicated by May 14. The notification letters will include standardized language as much as possible to capture the different types of issues the committee has noted.
- B. The following information includes only the committee's decision and corresponding vote for each course, as well as any changes to CAP components or Institutional Learning Goals. All reapprovals will be contingent upon the requisite updates being made in CIM by September 3, 2021 in response to the committee's feedback. The committee voted using a Google Sheets document; committee members submitted their votes at the end of the discussion of each course.
 - a. *ENG 342: Literature and the Environment*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
 - b. *ENG 392: Writing for Grants and Non-Profits*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
 - c. *HRS 200: Introduction to Human Rights*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
 - d. *POL 381: Film & Politics*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-1 (in favor-against-abstention). Another voting member arrived after the vote on the preceding course.

- e. *PHL 381: Sexual Ethics*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 10-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
- f. *PHL 311: Philosophy of Religion*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). A voting member left prior to the vote on this course.
- g. *PHL 335: Philosophy of Sustainability*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). The course is completing a second review after receiving two-year reapproval in 2017-18.
- h. *PHL 383: Ethics of Scientific Research*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
- i. *CHM 200: Chemistry & Society*: 2-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention).
- j. *VAH 129: Foundations in Art History*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). The committee also approved the following ILG changes: addition of Scholarship (introductory); removal of Vocation (expanded); change to Community (expanded to introductory). The course is completing a second review after receiving two-year reapproval in 2017-18.
- k. *VAE 232: Integrating Visual Culture*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). The course is completing a second review after receiving two-year reapproval in 2017-18.
- l. *VAH 320: Latin American Art*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). The course is completing a second review after receiving two-year reapproval in 2017-18.
- m. *VAH 483: PostColonial and Global Art Histories*: 4-year reapproval; vote: 9-0-0 (in favor-against-abstention). The course is completing a second review after receiving two-year reapproval in 2017-18. The committee approved the addition of Diversity and Social Justice as a third component.

III. Announcements

- A. Upcoming Meetings:
 - 1. April 2: The committee will not meet.
 - 2. April 9: Complete recommendations from Subcommittees 3 and 4.
 - 3. April 16: Complete recommendations from Subcommittee 5 and begin broader discussion about the 4-Year Review process.
 - 4. Plans for the four meeting dates between April 23 and May 14 are tentative and will depend on scheduling course reviews and other work the committee needs to complete before the end of the semester.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Judy Owen, CAP Office