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APC Meeting minutes

September 20, 2016

respectfully submitted by Markus Rumpfkeil, chair APC

Present: Dixon, Wu, Rumpfkeil, Anloague, Leming, Dunne, Wells, Farrelly

Agenda Items:

1. Minutes from September 13th were approved.
2. Undergraduate Certificate in Applied Creativity for Innovative Transformation

Continuation of discussion from last week about issues APC has with the proposal. The issues revolved mostly around the fact that “an academic certificate program is a named set of credit-bearing undergraduate courses...” (DOC 2015-04 page 2). The first issue is that the proposed mandatory nine credit-hours of CAP classes are not specifically named. In addition, some APC members are concerned that the core classes of the certificate are only three 1-credit hour UDI courses. There seems to be some issues with the UDI courses in question (371, 372, 373) since two of them do not show up in the current course catalog and UDI 371 is appearing as UDI 371 and 374.

A follow-on discussion ensued about the term credit-bearing courses. It was stated that the spirit of DOC 2015-04 was to ensure the required courses for a certificate are subject to a rigorous approval process (such as AAC) to ensure academic quality. However, the approval process for UDI courses may not be rigorous enough. This may require a clarification by the senate for DOC 2015-04 whether UDI courses can count towards a certificate or not and in general what is meant by credit-bearing course?