

Liberal Arts Council
October 23, 2012

Present: M. Aakhus, T. Bordelon, M. Dixon, J. deJong, S. Spencer, E. Wasserman, R. Priest, J. Evey, S. Rode, R. Gennaro, J. Hardgrave, MT Hallock Morris, W. Rinks, I. Phillips, and B. Christie.

The meeting began at 9:04 a.m.

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of October 16, 2012 were approved unanimously.

II. Psychology Petitions

J. Evey introduced several petitions, including new course petitions for PSY 332 (Forensic Psychology), PSY 377 (Sport Psychology), PSY 386 (Psycholinguistics), PSY 422 (Psychopathology), and PSY 435 (Community Psychology). She also explained the rationale for the deletion of the following courses: PSY 206 (Industrial Psychology), PSY 251 (Child Psychology), PSY 405 (Physiological Psychology), and PSY 414 (Motivation & Behavior). Additionally, she presented a proposal to modify PSY 498 (Internship) so that up to three hours may be applied toward the Psychology major. The five new course petitions, four course deletions, one course modification, and the program Modification petition were approved unanimously.

III. Art History Petitions

J. deJong introduced the petitions to modify ARTH323 (Ancient Art), the title of which will be changed to Ancient Greek Art. She also described the rationale for modifying the Art Major with Art History Emphasis from thirty-nine hours to forty-five hours. Both the course modification and the program modification were approved unanimously.

IV. Liberal Arts' LLCs

E. Wasserman and S. Spencer described the proposed English/Theatre LLC. Both expect an enrollment of thirty-six students and they invited the development of new courses that might fit within the theme. T. Bordelon noted that a social science LLC is still under development and he hopes to send it to S. Blunt next week with the English/Theatre LLC proposal. He also indicated that compensation will be found for the LLC coordinators.

V. 120-60 Hour Memoranda

M. Aakhus reminded chairs that the deadline (November 1) for the submission of 120-60 Hour memoranda is approaching quickly. All programs changing requirements to 120 hours are affected and a memorandum indicating the modification should be sent to S. Blunt. Associates degrees changing to 60 hours must also be modified by memorandum. W. Rinks has completed a memorandum and he will distribute it to chairs.

VI. Lily Grant

M. Aakhus discussed the opportunity to participate in the writing of a grant that will encourage job creation in Indiana through entrepreneurship with the goal of retaining intellectual capital within the state. He encouraged chairs to contact M. Dixon and T. Bordelon if interested.

VII. Open Items from Chairs

S. Rode announced that she will offer a one-credit hour, Global Awareness course that will serve as a preparation for study-abroad. Together, she hopes, both may fulfill the C5 University Core Curriculum requirement. Participants of the program will be students from the College of Nursing and Health Professions who will study abroad in summer 2013.

S. Spencer asked other chairs how they were approaching the summer 2013 schedule and he expressed concerns regarding the differences in length of class meeting times.

J. Hardgrave expressed concern that the Bookstore utilized the first edit of the spring 2013 schedule and that this required numerous corrections to be made at the time book orders were submitted. Others reported similar issues both in the past and this semester.

M. Aakhus suggested that we again invite M. Goelzhauser to a future LAC meeting to discuss these issues.

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.