

## LA Council Meeting Minutes

29 SEPTEMBER 2020

### APPROVED

**Present:** O. Armeanu, C. Baker, J. Beeby, S. C. Blair, A. Buck, W. Durham, S. Gupta, J. Hardgrave, L. A. Howard, S. Hughes, A. McKibban, M. Nguyen, K. Oeth, O. Popescu-Sandu, M. Roberts, S. Rode, T. Schroer, E. Wasserman

Dean Beeby began the meeting on Zoom at 9:00 a.m.

#### I. English (O. Popescu-Sandu)

O. Popescu-Sandu proposed revising the minor programs listed below in order to create more emphasis on their respective concentrations. Additionally, the minors will be reduced to 18 credit hours to be more aligned with other Liberal Arts minors. Finally, several courses had their course descriptions updated.

- ENG 210
- ENG 319
- ENG 411
- ENG 412
- ENG 416
- English Teaching Minor
- Creative Writing Minor
- Professional Writing and Rhetoric Minor
- English Literature Minor

Dean Beeby asked O. Popescu-Sandu if these changes involved the creation of new classes, to which O. Popescu-Sandu answered there were no new classes. S. Rode moved to approve the above proposed changes, A. McKibban seconded the motion, and all members approved.

#### II. Criminal Justice (T. Schroer)

T. Schroer proposed editing the pre-requisites for the courses below in order to make the curriculum more streamlined. The previous pre-requisites were also outdated. Additionally, CRIM 302 will have CRIM 204 and POLS 208 as pre-requisites to help other minors. O. Armeanu stated that the elimination of POLS 208 and SOC would not be good for students in terms of exposure.

- CRIM 302: Criminal Law
- CRIM 304: Community Relations
- CRIM 311: Convict Criminology
- CRIM 312 Organized Crime
- CRIM 331: Gender & Crime
- CRIM 370: Seminar
- CRIM 371: Criminological Theory
- CRIM 401: Community Corrections

- CRIM 411: Criminal Procedures
- CRIM 412: Police Discretion
- CRIM 475: CJ Capstone

S. Rode moved to approve, and W. Durham seconded the motion. The motion was passed with the abstention of O. Armeanu and A. Buck.

### **III. Global Studies (S. Gupta)**

S. Gupta proposed modifying the GLST major and minor by adding ENG 319 (Fundamentals of Grant Writing) to the program curriculum as an elective. Grant writing has become a crucial skill for Global Studies. Dean Beeby asked if ENG 319 would be offered often to which S. Gupta confirmed it would be.

- Program modifications for GLST major and minor
- Adding ENG 319

S. Rode moved to approve S. Gupta's proposal, S. C. Blair seconded the motion, and all members approved.

### **IV. Performing Arts (E. Wasserman)**

E. Wasserman proposed creating a new course, THTR 207 (Play Analysis), which is a standard course for many theatre programs. L. A. Howard asked why other alternative courses, such as Dramatic Literature Analysis, were not used instead of creating a new course. E. Wasserman explained that, from his experience of teaching that course, enrollment tends to be an issue. He would also like to provide earlier exposure to the subject, giving a broader view to a diverse selection of plays.

- THTR 200
- THTR 207
- THTR 227
- THTR 496
- Theater Arts Program Modification

A. McKibban moved to approve E. Wasserman's proposal and S. C. Blair seconded the motion. The motion was passed with the abstention of L. A. Howard.

Dean Beeby ended the meeting at 9:51 a.m.