Present: Deborah Amberson, Shifra Armon, Wind Cowles, Gail Fanucci, Selman Hershfield, Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox, Peter Sin

College Resource Dean: David Pharies

Meeting called to order at 11:00 am

I. Minutes from April 10th approved

II. Discussion Items

Request: Close MAT in Latin American Studies – APPROVE

Request: Graduate Teaching Certificate Name Change (LINGUISTICS) – APPROVE

III. Resubmitted UCC1s

PCB7XXX Plant and Ecosystem Ecology Symposium – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required minor changes:
• UCC1 form: pre-requisites required
• Syllabus: change “catalog description” to “course description”
• Make-up policy: reformulate in accordance with UF policy, which does allow makeups for excused absences: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx
• S/U grading needs clarification: 1. formulation with bullet point followed by capitalized “Is” invites misreading as a question, 2. please provide greater specificity on participation/attendance expectations, 2. please indicate what threshold is required in terms of absences and assignments in order to earn a grade of S

COM 3465 Conflict Management and Negotiation in the Profession – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required minor changes:
• Course meeting time required. You can use a formulation such as “class meets for 3 periods per week TBA.”
• In-class Activities section states that two ICs can be missed without penalty. Please specify what happens in the case of more than two missed ICs if those absence are considered excused in accordance with UF policy.

LIS 2001 Introduction to Library and Internet Science – APPROVE
Required minor change:
• Syllabus course description gives course number as “IDS 4930.” Please correct.

SPC 4905 Directed Individual Study in Communication Studies – APPROVE

EAB 6XXXX Experimental Psychology – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required minor changes:
• UCC1 pre-requisite needs to be more specific: list actual course numbers
• Syllabus grading scale: please include information for D and/or E grades.
• Syllabus should also clearly state that minus grades are not used in this course
• Course calendar: please remove “Brian in Brazil” from first week as presumably he will not be in Brazil every spring. This can be replaced with “course introduction”

GEO 4XXX Intro to Spatial Networks – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required minor changes:
• Syllabus Attendance/Participation section: reformulate “excusable excuses” – we would suggest “valid excuses”?
• Attendance Policy: please clarify the specific penalty for non-attendance

IV. New UCC1s

PCO 4XXX Psychology of Suicide – RECYCLE
Required changes:
• UCC1: course description would benefit from reformulation. Please consider the following: “enables students to recognize and appropriately respond to suicidal ideation…”
• Course meeting time required. You can use a formulation such as “class meets for 3 periods per week TBA.”
• Pop-quiz section includes references to make-up possibilities. Please move these references be moved to the make-up policy section. Moreover, please reformulate and replace “except in the case of a medical emergency in accordance with the UF guidelines” with “except in accordance with UF policy”
• Please provide details/titles of the articles to be read over the course of the semester
• In general, there seems to be a lack of parallelism between the course description, the course objectives, and the topics identified in the course schedule.
Suggestions:
• The committee felt that the course might be more appropriately called “Suicide Prevention and Awareness” as it seem to focus more on the recognition of warning signs and the like, rather than leading, as is suggested, to some kind of certification for dealing with possible suicides

On a related note, objective 3 with its reference to “different points of view and worldviews” did not seem to feature in the course calendar. The sustained focus on suicide prevention/intervention did not seem to leave room for a “different point of view” where, for example, suicide might be a laudable action.

PCO 4XXX Positive Psychology – RECYCLE
Required changes:
• UCC1 course description: delete “this course begins with an”
• UCC1 course description: “tenants” should be “tenets” (this should also be changed in syllabus course description)
• Course meeting time required. You can use a formulation such as “class meets for 3 periods per week TBA.”
• Attendance and makeup policies are referenced in “Evaluation Criteria” section. Please create separate and more detailed sections for both attendance and makeup.
• Grading scale references “F”: UF does not have an F grade
• Course Schedule appears to be missing weeks and describe a 14 week semester ending mid-December. Please correct to reflect the typical organization of a semester at UF.

DEP4XXX Gerontology – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required changes:
• UCC1 course description: delete “this course concerns the”
• Makeup policy states that “no late assignments will be accepted.” Please reformulate in accordance with UF policy which does allow makeups for excused absences: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

EUH4XXX Medieval Spain – RECYCLE
The committee made the following comments:
• Consultation sheet issues: 1. Shifra Armon did not see the proposal
Syllabus course policies: makeup policy does not conform to UF official policy. Please reformulate. The link you provide is also incorrect and no longer works.

PHI3XXX Happiness and Well-Being – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required changes:
• UCC1: information for college contact David Pharies 392-2264 needs to be added.
• Course meeting time required. You can use a formulation such as “class meets for 3 periods per week TBA.”
• C- statement needs to be included after grading scale
• Please include link to UF attendance policy in syllabus: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx
• A make-up policy section is a required component in all syllabi. Please make sure that your policy conforms to UF policy which does allow makeups for excused absences: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

ANG5XXX Methods in Ethnoecology – CONDITIONAL APPROVE
Required changes:
• A make-up policy section is a required component in all syllabi. Please make sure that your “late assignments” policy conforms to UF policy which does allow makeups for excused absences: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx