

Curriculum Committee

November 6, 2009

Minutes

BH 140 12:00 p.m.

Members present: Kathy Hughes (chairperson), Bill Roope, Pete Wade, Pat Pezzelle, Carole Bergin, Phil MacGregor, Rick Halverson, Sue Justis, Faith Hodges, Janice Alexander, and George Shryock.

Others present: Sharon Nau, Marlene Stoltz, Nancy Clawson, Cindy Kiefer, Brenda Hanson, Dan Voermans, Christina Relyea, and David Smith.

- **Approval of October 16, 2009, minutes**

Pat Pezzelle moved to approve the minutes, Phil MacGregor seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as read.

Action Items

- **ART 161F** Ceramics I (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **ART 162F** Ceramics II (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **ART 261F** Ceramics III (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **ART 262** Ceramics IV (revision) – **APPROVED**

David Smith spoke about all four ceramics courses and said he worked to align them with The University of Montana, so they should all be transferrable. Kathy Hughes said the committee appreciated the work done on aligning them. Faith Hodges moved to approve the four courses based on proposed course descriptions, learner outcomes, and assessment. Rick Halverson provided the second, and they were unanimously approved.

- **ART 160** Digital Darkroom (new) - **TABLED**
- **ART 156FT** Digital Imaging I for Photographers (new) – **TABLED**

Carole Bergin and Brenda Hanson answered questions the committee had about the proposed new courses and the differences between ART 156 and ART 153, wondering if they were repetitive. George Shryock moved to table both courses in order to look at prerequisites and consider the direction art is going. Phil MacGregor seconded the motion, and it was unanimous to table both courses.

- **ART 100** Watercolor/Italian Landscape (new) – **DENIED**

Carole Bergin said instructor Karen Leigh will be offering this course in Italy during the Venice Study Abroad 2010 semester. Except for the focus on Italy, this watercolor class is the same as the current watercolor class that she also teaches. The committee recommended that ART 230/231 be offered in lieu of the proposed ART 100. Faith Hodges moved to deny the course, Rick Halverson seconded the motion, and it was unanimously denied.

- **ART 220FG** Art and Architecture of Italy: Focus on Venice (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **ART 224** History and Culture of Venice (revision) - **APPROVED**

Carole Bergin said the revisions to these courses were done to place the focus on Italy rather than Venice and to more accurately reflect the number of hours students spend in

class. Phil MacGregor moved to approve, Sue Justis seconded, and the two courses were unanimously approved.

- **BIOL 280** Genetics and their Applications-Molecular Diagnostics (KRMCC pilot) – **APPROVED**

Kathy Hughes explained that this is another KRMCC workforce course. Most of the previous courses have been business related, and this is a science course. It was suggested that all courses go to the appropriate division for review. Continuing Education has taken over the project, but the courses are offered for credit. It was suggested to invite Jodi Smith to the next meeting to explain the program and future course offerings. Rick Halverson moved to approve, and Bill Roope seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

- **BUS 274** Web Technology Internship (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**

Phil MacGregor said this course is an unneeded duplicative course, so it is being deleted. Pat Pezzelle moved to approve, Phil MacGregor seconded, and it was unanimously approved to delete.

- **CHIN 091** Introduction to Mandarin Chinese (special topics) – **APPROVED**

Carole Bergin said Jared Schaalje, Instructional Technology Specialist, is fluent in Mandarin Chinese. The Kalispell Chamber of Commerce is going to China in the spring, and there is demand for a conversational Chinese course. Phil MacGregor moved to approve this course with Faith Hodges providing the second. It was unanimously approved.

- **EDUC 270** Place Names, Google Earth, and Indian Education (pilot) – **APPROVED**

Pat Pezzelle said Libby Public Schools requested this course be taught to its teachers as part of the Indian Education for All initiative. Since it is being offered for credit, educators can move on the pay scale. Sue Justis moved to approve, Rick Halverson seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

- **EDUC 280** Project-Based Approaches (pilot) – **APPROVED**

Brenda Hanson said Gary Kidd from Belgrade Public Schools approached FVCC to offer this course (designed by Intel) face-to-face. Teachers can take it for renewal. It was noted that students would have to pay out-of-district tuition. Pat Pezzelle suggested he might work with Mr. Kidd to develop this course as a distance education offering. It was also suggested that Continuing Education explore this coordinating/granting credit courses similar to UM. Rick Halverson moved to approve, and Bill Roope seconded. Sue Justis was opposed, and Janice Alexander and George Shryock abstained. It was approved.

- **EDUC 280** Professional Practice Enhancement: Planning and Preparing for Learning (pilot) – **APPROVED**

Brenda Hanson said Eliza Sorte from District 5, who has taught for FVCC in the past, will teach this course. Faculty can take for credit, and there is rigor involved. Bill Roope moved to approve, Carole Bergin seconded, and the course was unanimously approved.

- **ITLN 101GH** Elementary Italian I (revision) -**TABLED**
- **ITLN 102GH** Elementary Italian II (revision) – **TABLED**

Carole Bergin said the only Italian language classes currently being taught are through the Venice Study Abroad program. A discussion was held on the proposed credit

change from five to four credits. This permanent change will only make sense when it is taught in Italy. With it being taught in Italy, the cultural immersion will make up the fifth credit. One advantage to it being four credits is monetary, with regard to the total number of credits students will be taking while in Italy. Rick Halverson moved to table the two courses, contingent on further discussion. George Shryock seconded, and it was unanimously approved to table.

- **MFGT 121** Introduction to HAAS CNC Lathe Operations (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**
- **MFGT 122** Introduction to HAAS CNC Mill Operations (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**
- **MFGT 135** Precision Measurements (Manual and CNC) (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**
- **MFGT 140** Machine Production Quality Control and Assurance (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**
- **MFGT 123** Introduction to HAAS CNC Mill & Lathe Operations (new) - **APPROVED**
- **MFGT 141** Machine Quality Control and Precision Measurement (new) – **APPROVED**

Bill Roope said the two new courses were a direct result of an in-house program review. It doesn't make sense to teach mill and lathe separately, so they will be consolidated. Pete Wade moved to approve, Janice Alexander seconded, and the courses were approved unanimously.

- **NR 110** Introductory Water Resources (new) - **APPROVED**
- **NR 210** Introductory Soil Resources (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **NR 260NG** Natural Resource Issues (revision) – **APPROVED** (with NG general education designators added)

Christina Relyea, Natural Resources instructor, attended the meeting to answer questions. The program was brought out of moratorium, and there is considerable support for broadening the program. In addition to the current forestry classes, Christina has developed courses on water, soils, and ecology and is working with The University of Montana to align these courses and increase transferability. FVCC is on the forefront of water coursework. Both MSU and UM have soils courses and will accept FVCC's soil courses. George Shryock moved to approve all three courses with the general education designators NG being added to NR 260. Phil MacGregor seconded, and they were unanimously approved.

- **PE 108** Beginning Tennis (reinstatement) - **APPROVED**
- **PE 110** Intermediate Tennis (reinstatement) – **APPROVED**
- **PE 134** Beginning and Intermediate Tennis (deletion) – **DELETION APPROVED**

Sue Justis explained the history of the PE classes. Pete Wade moved to approve, Phil MacGregor seconded, and the courses were unanimously approved.

- **PE 180** High Intensity Interval Training (pilot) – **APPROVED**
- **PE 187** Ski Conditioning and Maintenance (pilot) – **APPROVED**

Sue Justis spoke about the proposed PE classes. Pat Pezzelle moved to approve with Rick Halverson providing the second. The courses were unanimously approved.

- **SA/HS 250** Interviewing/Crisis Intervention (reinstatement in SA Counseling AA) – **APPROVED**

Rick Halverson explained this is an existing course that was inadvertently omitted when the Substance Abuse Counseling AAS became as AA program. He did revise the learner outcomes. Phil MacGregor moved to approve, and George Shryock seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

- **SR 80** Glacier National Park Transcending Time for Seniors (pilot) -**APPROVED**
- **SR 80** Korean Culture and Language for Seniors (pilot) - **APPROVED**
- **SR 80** Short Stories for Seniors (pilot) - **APPROVED**

Brenda Hanson discussed all three Senior Institute pilot courses. The committee agreed the more diversity among the offerings, the better. Rick Halverson moved to approve with Carole Bergin providing the second. They were unanimously approved.

- **SURV 273.2** Projects in GPS (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **SURV 277** Projects in GIS (revision) - **APPROVED**
- **SURV 278** Surveying Laws, Planning and Design (revision) – **APPROVED**

Pete Wade discussed the two course changes and the one program change. George Shryock moved to approve, Bill Roope seconded the motion, and the three courses were unanimously approved.

- **WRIT 191** Grant Writing (pilot) – **APPROVED**

Carole Bergin discussed the course, and Rick Halverson moved to approve. Carole Bergin seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Discussion Items

- Independent Studies – A discussion followed regarding the process by which Curriculum Committee has to approve each Independent Study. George Shryock moved to drop this approval process and to change the language in the policy to reflect this. It was seconded by Rick Halverson. The committee unanimously approved the deletion of the Curriculum Committee portion of the approval process.
- Pat Pezzelle reported the ABE/GED Standards review looked good, and he will send a one-page synopsis to the committee members.
- Fine Arts general education designation – This discussion will be postponed until the December 4 CC meeting when John Rawlings and David Smith will be in attendance.