

**Minutes
Academic Council
December 2, 2014**

Present: Barnes, Barrios, Daly, Fluegge-Woolf, Gathman, Hinkle, Humphrey, Jenkins, Jung, McAllister, McDougall, McGowan, Starrett, and Suhr

Guests: Shelba Branscum, Wayne Bowen, and Lynn Moore

A. MINUTES:

Upon a motion by McDougall; seconded by Gathman, the minutes of November 4, 2014, were unanimously approved.

B. ACTION ITEMS:

1. BS Human Environmental Studies: Fashion Merchandising Option Curriculum Revisions

Jenkins moved approval of the curriculum revisions to the BS Human Environmental Studies: Fashion Merchandising option; seconded by McGowan. Branscum explained that this was a major revision, as the Fashion Merchandising option had not been revised in more than ten years. There revisions include new and revised courses, most of which have gone through 30 Day Review. Two courses, FA104 and UI4XX are in progress of gaining University Studies approval. Another revision was to change the required minor from Marketing: Retail Management to Fashion Entrepreneurship or other minor with advisor permission. Jung questioned if there were any issues with the courses that were currently being reviewed by University Studies; Bowen advised that from what he's received, everything is on track for review by University Studies, but he has not seen the syllabi to know if there are any issues. Motion passed unanimously.

2. BA in History – Curriculum Revisions (Expansion of Additional Hours Options)

McDougall/Barrios moved to bring the curriculum revisions to the BA in History back to the table for approval; seconded by Gathman. Motion passed unanimously.

The original motion and discussion from the November 4, 2014 meeting were “Barrios moved approval of the curriculum revisions to the BA in History; seconded by Gathman. Barrios explained that BA History majors are currently required to take 12 additional hours; they must take 6 hours of one foreign language and can choose to take the remaining 6 hours in foreign language or math and statistics. The curriculum revisions proposal would expand the options for students, as they would retain the ability to choose to study a foreign language or choose to combine the study of foreign language with math and/or statistics. The proposal would also give students an additional option of choosing to take non-US History courses instead of language and math or statistics. Finally, the proposal allows for the 12 hour requirement to be waived for students who have a second major in one of the following areas: BS in Historical Preservation, BA in Global Cultures and Languages, BS in International Business, or BA in Political Science. Hinkle questioned if the BS in Political Science would also be acceptable as a second major for the 12 additional hours to be waived; Barrios was unsure and Bowen is out of the country. Jung moved approval to table the motion until December, when Bowen could clarify; seconded by Gathman. Motion to table the proposal passed unanimously.”

Bowen further explained that the BS in Political Science was not included in the allowable second majors it does not require foreign language, while the BA in Political Science does. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Department of History Graduate Programs (MA History, MA Public History, Heritage Education Graduate Certificate, Historic Preservation Graduate Certificate) Curriculum Revisions

Barrios moved approval of the curriculum revisions to the graduate programs in History – the MA in History, MA in Public History, Heritage Education Graduate Certificate, and the Historic Preservation

Graduate Certificate; seconded by Jenkins. Bowen explained that they were simplifying these programs by combining two graduate courses into a single course, and adding European History. At least one course will be offered every semester. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Informational/Discussion Items:

1. McAllister explained that the MAPP II test would not be administered in Fall 2014, but will be administered in Spring 2015, and we will continue to use MAPP.

D. Other:

1. Hinkle noted that final grades will be due Sunday, December 21, 2014.

McDougall moved approval to adjourn; seconded by Gathman. Meeting adjourned.