## Institute Undergraduate Curriculum Committee <u>Minutes</u>

# Academic Matters (Full Committee) Tuesday, March 1, 2016

**Present:** Mayor (ME), Scott (CEE), Coyle (ECE), Economou (ARCH), Goodisman (BIOL), Millard-Stafford (APPH), Moore (ECE), Parsons (CoB), Potts (Vice Provost), Senf (LMC), Singleton (PSYC), Smith (ME), Wilkinson (CHEM & BIOCHEM), Yaszek (LMC), Zhou (ISYE)

Visitors: Hodges (Registrar), Cole (Registrar), Brockett (BIOL)

**Note:** All action items in these minutes require approval by the Academic Senate. In some instances, items may require further approval by the Board of Regents or the University System of Georgia. If the Regents' approval is required, the change is not official until notification is received from the Board to that effect. Academic units should take no action on these items until USG and/or BOR approval is secured. In addition, units should take no action on any of the items below until these minutes have been approved by the Academic Senate or the Executive Board. Approval by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges may also be required.

**Note**: All votes are unanimous unless specifically noted otherwise.

#### **Academic Matters**

1. A motion was made to *approve* a request from the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering for a pre-requisite modification. The motion was seconded and approved.

This vote was not unanimous. There were 12 votes to approve and 1 vote to deny.

Pre-requisite Modification – Approved/Tabled (see note below for the tabled portion of the request) ISYE 4106

### **Current pre-requisites:**

Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3025 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3133 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3232 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3044 Minimum Grade of D.

### **Proposed requisites:**

Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3025 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3133 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3232 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 3044 Minimum Grade of D and Undergraduate Semester level ISYE 4800 Grade of V and 4 of 6 BSIE Undergraduate Semester level concentration elective courses Minimum Grade of D

\*\*Note: This pre-requisite modification will be handled at the scheduling level as BANNER does not have the capacity to check if 4 of 6 electives are completed. Also, the Committee requested that the list of electives be removed from the proposal.

\*\*Note: The pre-requisite request to add ISYE 4800 was tabled for clarification.

2. A motion was made to *table* a request from the School of Modern Languages for a new course with attribute. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **New Course with Attribute - Tabled**

FREN 4250: Reading Les Miserable (ETHICS)

**Note:** This proposal was tabled as there was not a representative from the School of Modern Languages present during the meeting. The Committee did note that the syllabus for the course should be updated to include the Office of Disability Services statement as well as an academic integrity statement. Committee members questioned why 20% of the grade would be based on participation. The Committee also suggested the course be taught at least twice before requesting a permanent number or be able to justify why the permanent number should be assigned now. Committee members also requested additional information that would clarify how the content qualifies the course for the Ethics attribute.

3. A motion was made to *approve* a request from the School of Literature, Media, & Communication to add an attribute to an existing course. The motion was seconded and approved.

## Add Attribute to Existing Course - Approved

LMC 3304: Science, Technology, & Gender (ETHICS)

4. A motion was made to *approve* a request from the School of Biology for a new course with an attribute. The motion was seconded and approved.

3-0-3

## **New Course with Attribute – Approved**

BIOL 4651: Foundations in Bioethics (ETHICS) 3-0-3

5. The Committee discussed the Ethics attribute in regards to how to define it and how it would determine the standards that should be followed to evaluate course proposals. There is a question as to whether the Ethics attribute be categorized as a Professional Ethics attribute. The actions items include the IUCC Chair and Vice Chair obtaining data from academic units about their courses and which of those perhaps should carry this attribute. It was noted that Proposals 4858 (LMC 3304) and 4862 (BIOL 4651) were suitable examples to follow as to how Schools should present courses they wish to carry the Ethics attribute.

Adjourned,

Rhett Mayor, Chair, ME