

California State University  
**Northridge**

MINUTES OF EPC MEETING: MARCH 21, 2007  
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE MAY 9, 2007  
SUBMITTED TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE \_\_\_\_\_  
SUBMITTED TO ACADEMIC SENATE \_\_\_\_\_  
APPROVED BY ACADEMIC SENATE \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERS PRESENT: S. Morgan (Chair), D. Rodriguez, L. Lampert, A. Akers, R. Cohen, N. Stiles, C. Rawitch, D. Schwartz, H. Hertzog, R. Horowitz

MEMBERS ABSENT: V. Covrig, K. R. Baker, L. Lampert, A. Akers, R. Cohen

GUESTS PRESENT: R. Fischbach, M. Kabo, D. Klein, V. Pedone, K. Kearns, E. Hekkers, T. Williams-Leon, E. Chen, S. Ropp, G. Masesquesmay, E. Shrake, I. Clarke, E. Adams

STAFF: G. Mena

I. Announcements

- A. S. Morgan (Chair) Announced the Curriculum Deadlines for Fall 2007 are forthcoming
- B. S. Morgan and EPC briefly discussed the General Education Plan R Impact and the Fall 07 ending of the hiatus on changes to GE.
- C. G. Mena announced that new curriculum forms have been posted to the [EPC website](#).

II. Business

- A. Review of the February 21 minutes was postponed until April 11.
- B. Program Review Updates:
  - 1. D. Schwartz reported that she attended the Deaf Studies Program Review.
- C. College of Science and Mathematics Curricula [[Attachment IIC](#)]
  - 1. The New Courses **were approved**
  - 2. The Program Modifications and the Course Modifications **were approved.**
  - 3. The **New Program Proposal was withdrawn** by the College.
- D. The College of Humanities Curricula **was approved.** [[Attachment IID](#)]
- E. The College of Engineering and Computer Science **was approved.** Note that second group of CECS curricula will be reviewed by EPC April 11. [[Attachment IIE](#)]

**F. Add/Drop: Aligning Practice and Policy.** (V. Pedone and E. Forbes)

Eric Forbes explained that the new version of Solar is expected to have the functionality to align the add/drop practice with the established policy.

EPC **approved a motion** reaffirming that the existing add/drop policy should be followed given the expected changes in Solar.

The existing policy is:

**"Adding:** The last day to add a class is the end of the **third week** of instruction. Approval of the course instructor with a Permission number in SOLAR, or later on the Adjustment of Schedule Petition form is required after the third week of instruction."

**"Dropping:** Students are responsible for attending all courses in which they are registered. During the first **two weeks** of instruction, students may withdraw without penalty and without the course instructor's approval by accessing the Registration System."

A representative from A&R will update EPC on Solar add/drop capabilities during the Fall of 2007.

**G. GE Recertification Update:** D. Schwartz said that the Committee was adding a fifth meeting during the middle of May in order to complete the process during Spring 2007.

**H. EPC** briefly discussed the reinstatement of Inactive Courses. No motions were made; discussion of this issue will continue at the next meeting.

**I. The GE Honors Update** was postponed until May 9.

### III. Pending Items

#### A. Reinstating Inactive Course

**[Attachment IIC]**

**College of Science and Mathematics (note that all program curricula are grouped together in p. 1-21)**

**Program modifications to:**

- BA Mathematics: remove PHIL 230, PHYS 220B/BL, and MATH 150AL/BL from lower division core; add new course MATH 382/L to upper-division core
- BA Secondary Teaching Option: remove PHYS 220B/BL and MATH 150AL/BL from lower division core; add new course MATH 382/L to upper-division core
- BS Mathematics: delete both options and add all changes listed for BA Mathematics. Add a seminar requirement in UD and restrict elective choices.

**~~New program: BS Applied Mathematical Sciences, with two options:~~ Withdrawn by the College**

- ~~Option I. Statistics~~
- ~~Option II. Individual Program~~

**New courses: (p. 22-39, Math 103L p. 49-52)**

- MATH 366. (3) Combinatorics. Elective in all baccalaureate programs and minor
- MATH 382/L. (2/1) Introduction to Scientific Computing and Laboratory. Required course in all baccalaureate programs. Two-unit lecture, 1-unit lab
- MATH 481C (3) Numerical Methods for Partial Differential Equations. Elective mostly for BS programs
- MATH 481D (3) Topics in Numerical Mathematics. Elective mostly for BS programs
- MATH 493 (3) Undergraduate Seminar in Mathematics. Capstone for BA Mathematics and BS Mathematics
- MATH 494 (3) Practical Experience in Mathematics. Capstone for BS Applied Mathematical Sciences
- **MATH 103L (similar to Experimental Topics MATH 196CL, approved for F07)**

**Course modifications: (p. 40-48)**

- MATH 320 (3). Change prerequisite to remove PHIL 230.
- MATH 380. Delete course.
- MATH 480. Change prerequisites (drop Math 380) and change course description.
- MATH 481B. Change in course description.

## College of Humanities

1. **New Course Proposal – AAS 361 A-Z Asian American Experience of Selected Groups (3 units)**  
Intensive Study of the immigration/incorporation history and experience of a specific Asian Pacific American subgroup. Each course examines the nexus between historical events and contemporary issues facing a particular Asian American community and their experiences in various sectors of American society: labor, family, politics, education, and cultural preservation and community formation.
2. **New Course Proposal – JS 495A-Z Selected Topics in Jewish Studies (3 )**  
In-depth study of a selected theme or issue in Jewish Studies. Topics will change from semester. Critical writing and reading is required. This course may serve as the capstone experience for the B.A. in Modern Jewish Studies. Available for graduate credit.

## English

1. **New Program Proposal New Minor in Writing and Rhetoric**  
18-unit minor in Writing and Rhetoric will provide a valuable opportunity for students across the disciplines to focus on writing and to develop expertise in a variety of print and electronic genres.
2. **Program Modification Delete Contract Option from the Major**  
Proposal to eliminate English Contract Option IV that was originally intended to allow students to design their own English major in consultation with a three-member department committee. Option has been inactive for many years.
3. **Program Modification B.A. Options in Literature, Creative Writing, Honors**  
Proposal requests a change in catalog copy to improve communication with students concerning current and past practices in the English department that preclude the double counting of courses as both upper-division major courses and upper- division GE courses.
4. **New Course Proposal ENGL 482 Literacy, Rhetoric and Culture (3 units)**  
Study of current and past theories of literacy, including the nature of literacy itself; connections between rhetoric and literacy; the ways literacy is shared and used by individuals, families and cultures; and the political, social, and personal ramifications of literacy. Core course for proposed English department minor in Writing and Rhetoric.

## Liberal Studies

1. **Program Modification Pre-Credential Option, ITEP-Freshman Option, ITEP-Junior Option**  
Add an option for a concentration in Human Development to the set of concentration choices available to students in the Pre-credential, ITEP Freshman, and ITEP Junior Options.

[Attachment IIE]

College of Engineering and Computer Science

**Program Modifications**

**Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management Department**

B.S. Manufacturing Systems Engineering - change program requirements with no change in total units in program (revise catalog to reflect the course number change from MSE 319/L to MSE 248/L). Change of course number already approved. This submission will bring the program requirements and catalog copy in line with the course renumbering.

**Course Modification Proposals**

**Computer Science Department**

**COMP 422 - Advanced Computer and Operating System Architectures (3 units)**

Delete course.

**COMP 461 – Electronic Document Processing (3 units)**

Delete course.

**COMP 470 – Numerical Methods for Computing (3 units)**

Delete course.

**COMP 487 – Software Engineering with Ada (3 units)**

Delete course.