

Graduate Studies Committee**Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Status of Minutes: Approved 4/13/2021

Attendees

Members Present: R. Abrol, G. Bhavsar, J. Busillo-Aguayo, J. Gainsburg, M. Gianni, J. Huang, D. Jarvis, A. Lipscomb, S. Maalouf, R. Merida, K. Mkrtchyan, D. Spratt, C. terHorst

Staff: L. Kiapos, A. Levin, G. Rocklin

Guests: K. Baxter, M. Eller, R. Espinoza, J. Gandhi, K. Harris, C. Hayashi, X. Jia, P. Lazarony, L. Moody, A. Perez-Boluda, A. Surmani, D. Tamalis, V. Vandergon, B. Wu

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from February 9, 2021 were **MSP approved**.

III. Announcements

A. Levin announced that there is a need for CSUNposium faculty judges. She asked the committee and associate deans to complete the interest form if they are interested in serving as a judge. Levin also announced that Debi Cours would like a few GSC members to join the Educational Policies Committee's (EPC) subcommittee to revise the Academic Internship policy and Community-Based Learning policy. She asked the committee to let her know if they would be interested in serving on the subcommittee. Lastly, Levin reported that EPC revised the CSUN Syllabus Policy to require that AB1460 Ethnic Studies designated courses list the AB 1460 Ethnic Studies Student Learning Outcomes on the syllabus. After reviewing the change, the GSC agreed that the revised policy should be sent to the Senate Executive Committee.

IV. Action Items

A. College of Engineering and Computer Science – Julie Gainsburg and Danielle Spratt

Computer Science

Course Modifications

1. COMP 528-Mobile Computing. **MSP approved.**
2. COMP 528L- Mobile Computing Laboratory. **MSP approved.**

Manufacturing Systems Engineering and Management

Course Modifications

3. MSE 402-Engineering Project Management. **MSP approved.**
4. MSE 406-Engineering Cost Analysis. **MSP approved.**

Mechanical Engineering

Course Modifications

The following items were informational and not voted on since the course level is changing from Undergraduate/Graduate to Undergraduate Only.

5. ME 431/L-Machine Design and Manufacturing and Lab
6. ME 434-Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing
7. ME 470-Thermodynamics II
8. ME 482-Fundamentals of Alternative Energy and Fuel Cell Technology
9. ME 483-Solar, Wind and Geothermal Energy
10. ME 484/L-Control of Mechanical Systems and Lab
11. ME 485-Introduction to Environmental Engineering
12. ME 490-Fluid Dynamics
13. ME 493-Hydraulics.

B. College of Science and Mathematics – Julie Gainsburg and Danielle Spratt

Chemistry/Biochemistry

New Course

1. CHEM 595R-Mass Spectrometry for Bioanalysis. **MSP approved.**

Geological Sciences

New Course

2. GEOL 496ECS-Geology and Environmental Justice. **MSP approved.**

Mathematics

Course Modifications

3. MATH 445-Statistical Foundations to Machine Learning. **MSP approved.**
4. MATH 483-Mathematical Modeling. **MSP approved.**

Science and Mathematics

New Courses

5. SCI 565A-Teaching Science for Understanding. **MSP approved.**
6. SCI 565B-Teaching Science for Understanding. **MSP approved.**
7. SCI 565C-Teaching Science for Understanding. **MSP approved.**

C. College of Humanities – Entire Committee

English

Course Modification

1. ENGL 456-Age of Enlightenment. **MSP approved.**

Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures

Course Modification

2. SPAN 497-Comparative Structure of Spanish and English. **MSP approved.**

D. David Nazarian College of Business and Economics – Grishma Bhavsar and Danielle Jarvis

Business Administration

New Courses

1. GBUS 640-Entrepreneurship. **MSP approved.**
2. GBUS 690A-Z-Selected Topics for Graduate Business Insights. **MSP approved.**

E. Mike Curb College of Arts, Media, and Communication – Grishma Bhavsar and Danielle Jarvis

Communication Studies

Course Modifications

The following item was informational and not voted on since the course level is changing from Undergraduate/Graduate to Undergraduate Only.

1. COMS 454-Communication and Technology
2. COMS 464-Digital Rhetorics. **MSP approved.**

New Course

3. COMS 436-Communication and Food. **MSP approved.**

Program Modification

4. M.A., Communication Studies. **MSP approved.**

Music

Course Modification

5. MUS 698MIA-Graduate Project. **MSP approved.**

V. Discussion Items

D. Spratt reported that the Policy on Certificates was presented for a first reading at the Faculty Senate meeting on February 18 and a second reading at the Senate Executive Committee meeting on February 25. Spratt said that she made a minor modification to the policy to indicate where the business procedures will be located on GSC's website. The policy recommendation will be presented for a second reading at the Faculty Senate meeting on March 11.

D. Spratt informed the committee that the joint EPC and GSC Credit Hour policy was presented to the Senate Executive Committee on February 25. The policy

recommendation will be presented for a first reading at the Faculty Senate meeting on March 11.

D. Spratt reminded the committee of the time limit for accepting proposals that change course titles and descriptions to address social justice and decolonizing curriculum. She explained that the proposals could have minimal information and would be considered for early implementation so the changes would reflect in Fall 2021. The Educational Policies Committee (EPC) agreed to continue the practice of granting early implementation for proposals that decolonize curriculum through the next academic year. The committee had no concerns with also continuing the practice of granting early implementation through the next academic year.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.