Rhode Island College Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Agenda

19 December 2021

Online Zoom due to Coronavirus

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1. Approve minutes: 19 Nov. 2021
2. Report of the Chair

* Executive UCC took a look at the Manual and identified several clearly outdated sections. Some of the “reporting” discrepancies will be held until the “faculty intranet” site is functioning, some outdated references can simply be edited, as will the 4.2 Information about the Preparation of Proposals––to cover the electronic submission process we have adopted, and other updates made to the proposal form since this section was last updated. Several of the appendices appear to be fairly old/outdated, and are too much to do all at once, but we shall start by focusing on Appendix V Policy on Credit by Proficiency Exam, Appendix VI Policies Giverning Off-Campus and Special Format Courses, Appendix VII Policy on the Administration of Interdisciplinary Courses and Appendix IX-A Mathematics Competency Requirement. We are contacting those we feel are most familiar with their content to revise these sections for us to approve.
* Art department is creating separate Academic Rhode Maps for each of their eight concentrations to make it easier for students to follow, rather than have just the one map to cover them all.
* We are adding the additional notification of both Financial Aid and Institutional Research once proposals have been fully approved.

1. Annual Reports

* Student Designed Majors

1. Monthly Reports (No Writing Board this year)

* COGE

1. New Business

* 21-22-008 Approve revisions to the Global Studies major and minor programs to allow for greater flexibility and less of an emphasis on just History aspects. GLOB 365 The Atlantic World will be deleted as a requirement (and from the catalog) in both and the distribution categories are being readjusted. Several new courses will be added and others deleted from the program, and a new “distribution” category in Art, Literature, Communication will be added. The Major will go down from 50-56 credits to 43-46, and the Minor go from 22-23 to 21-23 credits.
* 21-22-014 Approve the revison of title of ENGL 307 to become ENGL 340 Studies in Modernist or Contemporary Literature, and update the description to reflect this. This is combining the original ENGL 307 Studies in Modernist Literature with ENGL308 Studies in Contemporary Literature courses to provide more flexibility. ENGL 308 can then be deleted from the catalog.
* 21-22-015 Approve revisions to HIST 204 Global History Since 1500, to reduce it from 4 to 3 credits in line with other History courses, and revise the prerequisite along the same lines. This course will be required in the Global Studies major and minor and so this action will reduce credits in those by one. This course should also now be included in the HIST Category C for HIST majors as a required elective—no change in total credits.
* 21-22-016 Approve the addition of one credit to the new BPS 100 Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Portfolio Development to make it a two credit course prior to the BPS programs’ launch in Spring 2022; thus we need to allow this to become effective for that semester. Since this course is part of the General Education requirement (a mix of fixed courses and electives that totals 40 credits), it has been approved by COGE, but this will not raise the total credit as it simply reduces the elective Gen Ed. credits from the former 4-5, to the more manageable 3-4 (which would only necessitate one more course).

1. Any Other Business

* Approve the addition to the UCC proposal form of a section that requires the proposer to assess the proposals affect on any of our transfer agreements—and specifiy what will need to be updated. Once a point person on transfer issues has been appointed they will in future get automatic notification of proposals that are fully approved.

Checking in on visibility of WID statements, Academic Rhode Maps and Program outcomes/learning goals for every program. Also current accuracy of JAA and 2+2 agreements.

NOTE: Due to current uncertainty as to who is currently tracking any of these and making sure they get updated, just let us know initially if they are correct or not, so we at least have a list of what needs to be done. Also, if you hear of anyone having created a new 2+2, tell them to hold on to it for the time being until we work out who will be the point person on these. Also, be sure that the counterpart department chair at CCRI has been consulted on these agreements so that we are sure they are accurate from both sides.

**Constituencies:**

Galvez: Art, Communication, Film Studies

Borgerding: Music, Theatre, and Dance

Abbotson: English (All three concentrations have own WID and ARMs, but share the same program/learning goals, though they are somewhat different in nature—CW is working on their own goals), Modern Lang. (WID and GOALS there, but ARM for Academic Rhode Map for Concentration in Latin American Studies Missing—e-mail sent to ask why as one does exist), Liberal Studies (all there), Africana Studies (all there).

Rawson: History, Philosophy, Global Studies, Gender and Women’s Studies. ALL THERE FOR ALL.

Weinstein: Psychology, Anthropology, Environmental Studies, Chemical Dependency/Addiction

Dixon: Political Science, Geography, Public Admin, Sociology, Justice Studies,

Hewins: Biology, Medical Imaging, Health Sciences,

Burke: Computer Science and Information Systems, Math, Physics, Chemistry, Data Science

Feinberg: Early Childhood, Elementary Ed., and Special Ed.

Mukherjee: CPHP, Health and Physical Ed., Wellness and Exercise Science

McLaughlin: Secondary Ed., K-12 Education—Tech, Art, Music, and World Languages, and Youth Development

Basu: Accounting, Finance, Economics, HCA, Management, Marketing

Griffin: Nursing

Diem: Social Work

**Current JAA/ 2+2 (P) plans in place:**

[**https://www.ritransfers.org/program-transfer-plans-2/**](https://www.ritransfers.org/program-transfer-plans-2/) **(2018-2019 catalog)**

[**https://www.ritransfers.org/jaa-ric/**](https://www.ritransfers.org/jaa-ric/) **(dated 2018-2019)**

Galvez: Communication (P/JAA)

Borgerding:Theatre (JAA)

Abbotson: English (JAA) The JAA for English posted at RItransfers.org is not correct as it contains old course numbers no longer used, an updated version was sent in but for some reason not used and the old one was simply recycled; Modern Lang.(JAA) correct.

Rawson: History (JAA)  The JAA for History posted at RItransfers.org is no longer correct, because the History major here was revised in 2019, and (2) History has a new 2+2 plan, but Elisa doesn't have it: she says Holly Shadoian does, but it is not on the website; Philosophy (JAA) correct.

Weinstein: Psychology (P/JAA); Environmental Studies (P)

Dixon: Political Science (JAA); Public Admin (P); Sociology (P/JAA); Justice Studies (P/JAA)

Hewins: Biology (P/JAA—BA&BS); Health Sciences (P); Chemistry (JAA)

Burke: Computer Science (JAA); Computer Information Systems (P/JAA); Math (JAA)

Basu: Accounting (P/JAA); Finance (P/JAA); Economics (P/JAA); HCA (P); Management (P/JAA); Marketing (P/JAA)

Diem: Social Work (P/JAA)