

## COLS CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

*Meeting Minutes: 17 May 2007*

**In attendance:** Stephen Bentivenga (acting chair), Wing Huen, Miles Maguire, Frances Rauscher

The meeting was called to order at 2:11 pm.

### I. Minutes

Rauscher/Maguire moved/seconded that the minutes of the 13-April meeting be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

### II. Old Business:

Dean John Koker spoke to previous concerns regarding oversight of Interdisciplinary Studies courses. In consultation with the COLS Faculty Committee, Dean Koker suggests that the Curriculum Committee formally request that the Faculty Committee form a new standing committee on Interdisciplinary Studies. This oversight committee will be composed of faculty from the various COLS divisions (exact makeup to be determined), and would serve as the initial level of review for new interdisciplinary course proposals. The chair of this committee would have sign-off authority for new course proposals, and also handle other issues as they arise.

Since forming a new committee requires a change to the COLS By-Laws, an *ad-hoc* committee can be formed next fall to deal with pressing issues.

### III. New Business:

Agenda items 1-14 (details below) were discussed. All **passed** unanimously.

1. ART 482: Art History Seminar – prerequisites change
2. Fine Arts Major: Sculpture Emphasis – remove electives
3. Fine Arts Major: Applied Design – remove electives
4. THEATRE 366: Dramatic Reading – delete course
5. ENGLISH: 300 level courses in Advanced Composition course sequence – prerequisites changes
6. CHINESE 111: Introduction to Chinese II – new course
7. SPANISH 331: Culture and Civilization of Latin America – Project Success – new course
8. JOURNAL 412: Law of Mass Communication – prerequisites change
9. GEOG 385: Quantitative Methods in Geography & Environmental Science – description and prerequisites changes
10. Psychology Major – change number of credits
11. Neuroscience Minor – various changes
12. International Studies Major – add RELSTDS 381
13. Sociology Major – grade of C or higher required in sociology courses
14. Sociology Major – require ETS Major Field Test

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm. No further meetings are scheduled for this academic year.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Stephen P. Bentivenga, Acting Chair*  
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