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**Minutes of Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, March 16, 2011  
2:00pm, President's Conference Room (Room 209, Burgin Dossett)**

Members in Attendance: Debbie Dotson (presiding), Mel Page, Suzanne Smith, Ellen Drummond, T. Jason Davis, Jill LeRoy-Frazier, Shawna Lichtenwalner, Alison P. Deadman, Leslie Adebonojo, Todd Emma

Visitors in Attendance: Thomas Alan Holmes, LaDonna Hutchins, M. Wayne Dyer, Ed Baryla, Gary Shelley, Theresa McGarry, Garth Ghearing, Marsh Grube

**1. Approval of the minutes from February 23, 2011**

Lichtenwalner moves acceptance, second by Suzanne Smith, approved per correction of one 'typo' by unanimous vote of members present.

**2. Report of actions by the chair on behalf of the committee**

The following pending proposals, having undergone review by the committee, and approval conditional upon editorial corrections specified in review, were not reported upon because the chair, Cathy Campbell, had to be absent from this meeting of the committee.

**Returned for minor revision**

New Course Proposals—CSCI 1400 (PC Setup and Maintenance)  
CSCI 4757/5757 (Information Systems  
Implementation)  
CSCI 4767/5767 (Enterprise Programming)  
CSCI 4770 (Information Systems Strategy &  
Management)

Substantial Course Modifications—CSCI 2150 (Computer Organization)  
CSCI 4857/5857 (User Interface  
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**Approved**

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### 3. Proposals reviewed

TBR Proposal: Minor in Linguistics (Theresa McGarry, originator, who represented proposal to committee.) **Keith Green & Ellen Drummond read the proposal for the committee.**  
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ACTION: Keith Green moved approval as is, per advice of Marsh Grube. Shawna Lichtenwalner seconds, unanimous approval by vote of the committee followed.

New Course Proposal: ECON 3800—Econometrics I (Edward Baryla, originator and chair of Economics and Finance Department, represented proposal to the committee.) **Suzanne Smith, & Todd Emma read the proposal for the committee.**  
[http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5\\_2a&FormID=6&Instance=4478](http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5_2a&FormID=6&Instance=4478)

Questions about faculty teaching led committee to recommend that all faculty currently teaching in the department who could teach the course be listed on the proposal.

Questions about utility of cross-listing were forthcoming. Marsh Grube points out administrative challenges of cross-listing, with remarks commended by representatives of the registrar's office. Originators agree with pedagogical argument in favor of NOT cross-listing, but teaching under ECON rubric, since courses in this area are now core concerns of the discipline of economics; and it needs to be clear that finance majors (the other major program of study in the sponsoring department) have a strong core of specifically economics courses. Marsh Grube and Alison Deadman also noted that since the course would be taught by the same faculty, within the same department, and since departments can require courses in fields outside of the field or even department of the major programs of study, cross-listing would have zero administrative utility in this case.

ACTION: Suzanne Smith makes motion to accept this proposal per dropping cross-listing, Keith Green seconds, approval by unanimous vote of committee.

New Course Proposal: ENTC 4517—Industrial Automation & Robotics (Garth Ghearing originator of proposal, represented the proposal to the committee.)  
**Jill LeRoy Frazier & Shawna Lichtenwalner read the proposal for the committee.**  
[http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5\\_2a&FormID=6&Instance=4299](http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5_2a&FormID=6&Instance=4299)

ACTION: Suzanne Smith moved to accept the proposal as it is and Jill LeRoy-Frazier seconded. Proposal accepted by unanimous vote of the committee.

Non-Substantive Curriculum Change: Art History Concentration (Scott Koterbay) **Leslie Adebonojo & Suzanne Smith read the proposal for the committee.**

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ACTION: Mel Page moved to table this proposal, per return of associated proposal to the committee for a subsequent review. Motion approved by unanimous vote of members present.

Associated Proposal:

New Course Proposal: ARTH 4701 Art History Capstone (Scott Koterbay, originator of the proposal, represented it to the committee. ) **Alison Deadman & Chul Young Roh read the proposal for the committee.**

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Proposal undertaken for BA Art history majors pursuant to updated program accreditation requirements of NASAD (National Association of Schools of Art and Design) for programs of study in this field.

Deadman noted that rerequisites are ARTH 2010 and ARTH 2040, but if students are admitted by permission of instructor only (per revised course description), and it is to be taken only as the final course (in the final semester) in fulfillment of the requirements of the major, the prerequisites seem a superfluous requirement.

Questions were raised about level of credit appropriate for the course (the proposal is for 1 hour of credit for satisfactory completion.)

Questions were raised about content. The sense of the discussion is that if this course is to meet the accrediting body's senior capstone standards, the course needs to have more clearly specified content, reflected both in the proposed catalog description, and in the sample syllabus for this course.

ACTION: Deadman proposes having the proposal come back for a subsequent review. Seconded by Mel Page. Motion approved by unanimous vote of members present.

New Course: ARTA 2304 Introduction to Graphic Design Media (M. Dyer) **Shawna Lichtenwalner & Keith Green read the proposal for the committee.**

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Need for a shorter course description, per language proposed by Debbie Dotson or Keith Green, is noted, and duly noted.

Questions about overlap with Digital Media. Were raised by readers of the proposal of the committee. It is suggested by Drummond and Deadman that a letter from digital media saying there is no significant overlap with courses in that field, at least with significant thematic overlap (interactive graphic design media as art) is needed. Committee agreed that an e-mail from the digital media chair, Keith Johnson, to this effect to Cathy Campbell is sufficient.

Discussion of Syllabus noted the following concerns:

A clear relationship between major assignments and grade assignments needs to be provided.

Learning objectives need to revise out “know” and “understand” as primary verbs of objectives descriptions.

ACTION: Suzanne Smith moved to have this proposal return to the committee for subsequent review. Keith Green seconded, noting that Chair of the committee (Cathy Campbell), having not been party to the discussion about recommended changes, could hardly be expected to judge whether they had been addressed. Motion approved by vote of 10 members of committee, with Todd Emma abstaining, as a member of the digital media faculty.

New Course: ARTA 4304 Advanced Graphic Design Media (M. Dyer represented this proposal to the committee.) **Jason Davis & Leslie Adebonojo read the proposal for the committee.**  
[http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5\\_2a&FormID=6&Instance=2937](http://etsuis.etsu.edu/CPS/forms.aspx?DispType=OutputForms&NodeID=5_2a&FormID=6&Instance=2937)

Committee readers noted that the catalog description needs to be in the present tense, with a recommendation to edit down to a more concise text.

Purpose and Goals for this course seem to reduplicate learning outcome for ARTA 2304, per discussion of Alison Deadman.

Syllabus: major assignments need to be made clearly related to grade assignments.

Learning outcomes also need revision to meet directions for this item of the proposal.

ACTION: Motion to have return to committee by Suzanne Smith, second by Jason Davis, Motion approved by 10 members of the committee, with Todd Emma abstaining.

#### **4. Old Business**

No old business was revisited in this meeting of the committee.

#### **5. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 3:45pm by Jason Davis. Motion heartily seconded Alison Deadman. Motion approved by unanimous vote of assembled members.