

**COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
MINUTES**

**Wednesday, March 15, 2017
11 am-1:30 p.m., Kerr Hall, Room 307**

Present: Anthony Ballesteros (SUA Rep.), Jeff Bury, Manel Camps (Provost Rep.), Gina Dent (CCI Chair), Onuttom Narayan, Tchad Sanger (Registrar, *ex-officio*), Beth Stephens, John Tamkun, (Chair), Kim Van Le (Senate Analyst), Susanna Wrangell (Senate Analyst).

Absent: David Draper, Ethan Hutchinson, (Preceptor Rep.), Suresh Lodha, Leslie Lopez (NTSF Rep.), Tonya Ritola, Lynn Westerkamp, Jessica Xu (SUA Rep.).

Guests: Margie Claxton (Associate Registrar).

I. Announcements

Chair Tamkun briefly updated members on the Senate meeting writing discussion where the administration stated their plans to have this settled before the new EVC starts.

Consent Agenda

The draft minutes for January 11, 18, 25, and February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2017 were approved.

II. Review MOU for Arts Games and Playable Media

Members reviewed the VPAA's request for review and recommendation of the revised MOU for the Arts, Games, and Playable Media B.A. This major was formerly part of the Art Department but was granted an administrative home oversight changed last year. The Arts Division oversees this program. For the response, members will elaborate on the following concerns:

- On page 2, please amend this statement, "faculty in the arts" to "faculty in the Arts Division"
- Why is there a high level needed to approve any changes in the program? There are four Arts faculty and four SOE faculty. Then Dean and VPAA approval is required. Most majors run their own affairs.
- Members agreed it may be better to put 9 faculty under the Art Dean and just remove the affiliated faculty, as they have no vote on the curriculum.
- Signatories Page: this is signed by the "Executive Officers" of their units, but individual faculty are not bound to this agreement. CEP would like these titles removed and have the program chairs or department chairs sign off guaranteeing the offering of courses.
- The program is scheduled for a stand alone review without any department affiliation, and CEP would like to understand the justification for this.

III. Computer Game Design B.S. Revised MOU

Members reviewed the VPAA's request for review and recommendation of the revised MOU for the Computer Game Design B.S., which is now under the Computational Media (CM) Department oversight. These two programs and MOUs share some similarities. Members will comment on the following issues for their response:

- Why has the name of the major not been changed to the Computational Media Game Design B.S.?

- There is an agreement on who will manage space for each of these majors; the chair of a department will manage space issues and is part of the chair's duties
- It appears the major is governed by a sub-set of faculty who are not principle faculty in the department
- Can this structure be folded into the CM Department?
- Members would like additional information before making a decision and will therefore request an extension from Acting VPAA Berger.

IV. Computer Science Proposal: Changes to Major Qualification Policy (MQP) and Program Statement

The Computer Science Department has submitted a revised program statement with a request to change their Major Qualification Policy (MQP). After discussion the decision was made for the following:

- Members cannot approve this MQP this year but would reconsider CS's proposal next year with data to support the policy for student success.
- Members were pleased that the CS department will participate in the SOE Divisional first-year plan.
- CS is working on an Impaction plan for review next fall; CS will settle with the SOE divisional plan for a one year trial fall 2017.
- Program statement concerns have been addressed and is approved.
- For the 2018- 19 catalog copy CEP will request better course differentiation between the B.A./B.S. majors.
- CEP recommends CS look at CS 130 and move this content into the required core courses.

V. Ecology and Evolutionary Biology DC Course Curriculum Proposal and Program Statement

The Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department (EEB) has 5 majors (will be 4 after the discontinuance of the Biology B.A. in Education, in progress). All satisfy the DC with the same courses: BIOE 107 and 109. To meet the needs of enrollment in DC courses and help progress to degree the department is proposing these additional courses (and labs for some) to satisfy ½ of the DC: BIOE 117, 117L, 120, 120L, 122, 122L, 127, 127L, 128L, 129, 137, 141L, 145, 145L, 150L, 151B, 158L, 161L, 172, 172L. Members have the following requests for program statement revision

- Major Qualification Policy (MQP) does not state a deadline for declaring. EEB Biology should state in their program statement that students should declare by the 6th quarter so students are aware. College advisors can give an extension for major declaration. Was it the department's intent to omit the declare by the 6th quarter campus requirement?
- Disestablishment of the Biology B.A. Education: members have no objection and understand the process has been started. We agree and will send our approval per the established process in the VPAA's Office.
- BA elective courses: Members are concerned as many of the advanced upper division courses have many prerequisites. CEP requests meeting with stakeholder departments and go over any concerns the MCD and MTEX Departments may have.
- Biology B.S. DC is currently satisfied by completing BIOE 107 & 109. Based on the department's cover letter, it appears these may offer less writing and the department has not requested a major course revision. Before any changes can be made to this course, EEB must consult with MCD (which administers the Biology BS) and address the catalog rights of the

students who are currently completing the degree. The DC was designed as a major/GE requirement so that when a student finished the major, all of the requirements were also finished and the student would not be delayed in graduating. So that students understand, the requirement is two labs and two lectures. CEP requests putting an asterisk by the courses and prerequisite lab to meet the DC requirement

VI. Program Statements: Revised School of Engineering Divisional Statement

The School of Engineering Division submitted their revised program statement and accepted many of CEP's recommendations with the exception of IGETC for their majors. With the recommended changes to the first year gating admissions policy, CEP approved the program statement for the division and SOE departments except the Technology Management and BANDT majors, for which this policy does not apply. The Division did not address the course substitution or articulated course permission requirement. At the meeting with Chair Tamkun and Member Narayan, a response was sent which did address this issue and may have been left off the response letter in the OCA. Students need permission to take a course outside of UCSC for major credit after matriculation in the SOE. This permission is often given, but not always. In particular, once a student has failed one of SOE's courses, they can't take it elsewhere to fulfill the credit (to avoid shopping for permissively graded classes).