

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
MINUTES

April 3, 2019

10:40 a.m.-1:10 p.m.

Kerr Hall Room 307

Present: Noriko Aso (CCI Chair, ex-officio), Needhi Bhalla, Manel Camps (Provost Rep), Bruce Cooperstein, Noah Finnegan, Joy Hagen (NSTF Representative), Rebecca Hurdis (Senate Analyst), Dongwook Lee, Lily Moser (SUA Rep), Onuttom Narayan (Chair), Micah Perks, Lauren Woo (SUA Rep)

Guests: Preceptor's Representative Emily Burt, Deputy Registrar Margie Claxton, Deputy, Associate Registrar Kalin McGraw.

Absent: Elisabeth Cameron, Matthew Mednick (ASO Director), Tchad Sanger (University Registrar, ex-officio), Megan Thomas

I. Announcements and Consent Agenda

The following consent agenda items were approved:

- 03/13/19 and 3/20/19 Minutes
- Closed Week Policy
- Policy on Grading Scheme and Use of Entry Quizzes (with CCI)
- Program Statement Letters
 - Psychology
 - ECE
 - ENVS
 - Community Studies
 - Economics
 - CRES
 - Chemistry
- Additional Letters
 - CEP to VPAA re BENG
 - CEP to ECE Minors
 - CEP to VPAA re FTE Transfer

II. Response from EPS re Earth Science (Environmental Geology) Proposed Discontinuance

With a member recused from the discussion because of departmental affiliation, the committee discussed the informal response from the Earth and Planetary Sciences Department to CEP's proposed discontinuance of the Environmental Geology concentration in the Earth Sciences B.S. The committee was generally supportive of the department's wish to replace the environmental geology concentration with a "renamed and revamped" concentration catering to students who have different interests than the students in the general concentration. However, the committee did not feel that this was sufficient reason not to discontinue the current concentration, and approve a new concentration in the fall if the department proposes something suitable.

Action: Correspondence to be sent to VPAA Lee.

III. Consultation with CSE Chair Martine Schlag

Committee discussed the following issue:

- Program Statement for Computer Engineering. The department has requested an exception to the general format where all concentrations in a major are supposed to have separate pages with requirements and planners.
- CSE curricular offering to provide for student need for Computer Science courses in 2019-20. A few courses where there might be a shortfall in the number of seats were discussed.
- Curricular redesign in CS and TIM. The department is preparing a proposal, and was requested to consult with CEP early in the fall instead of waiting for program statements to be submitted.
- Course requirements for CE. Chair Schlag will provide examples of comparable programs.

The discussion about the Computer Engineering program statement was continued after Chair Schlag left, and the committee approved the request because of the unusually clear separation between the part of the major that is common to all concentrations and the part that is different.

Action: Correspondence will be sent to Chair Schlag reviewing the consultation.

IV. Program Statements: Round 2

Committee reviewed CSE, EE Biology, MCD Biology, Film and Digital Media, HAVC and History.

Action: Brief correspondence to be sent to departments that still require slight changes in their program statements.

V. Program Statements: Colleges and Writing Program

Committee reviewed the program statements for all 10 colleges.

Minor changes are needed to all the program statements.

It was discussed that currently Stevenson has a core course that is a 2 quarter sequence which CEP in 2016 had established that core be limited to the fall quarter of the freshman year. In fall 2017 when the Academic Literacy Curriculum was established, there was still not a proposal providing strong justification for this.

Action: Correspondence to be sent to Council of Provosts. Additionally, correspondence will be sent to Provost Yang regarding Stevenson.