

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY  
MINUTES

March 11, 2020  
10:40 a.m.-1:10 p.m.  
307 Kerr Hall

Present: Douglas Bonett, Manel Campus, Provost Representative, Marlena De Costa (SUA Student Representative), Kate Edmunds, Joy Hagen (NSTF Representative), Lindsay Hinck (CCI Chair, ex officio), Rebecca Hurdis (Senate Analyst), Dongwook Lee, Ronnie Lipschutz, Pradip Mascharak, Richard Montgomery, Onuttom Narayan (Chair), Tchad Sanger (University Registrar, ex-officio), Matt Wagers

Guests: Deputy Registrar Margie Claxton, Associate Registrar Kalin McGraw, Preceptor's Representative Winnie Tang

Absent: Tonya Ritola

**I. Consent Agenda**

The following were approved:

- 03/04/20 Minutes
- Letters
  - CEP to VPAA re Mid-Cycle for Astronomy & Astrophysics, Earth and Planetary Sciences and History
  - CEP to VPAA re Art ERC Closure Meeting

**Action:** Correspondence to be sent.

**II. Music: Revised Program Statement Review and Global Musics Proposal**

The committee discussed the program statement revisions from the Music department according to CEP's initial recommendations.

Additionally, the committee reviewed and approved the revised Global Musics concentration proposal in the Music B.A. program.

**Action:** Program statement actions will be updated in the CAT system. Correspondence to be sent to VPAA Lee. Correspondence about the program statement to be sent to the Music Department.

**III. CSE: Revised Program Statement Review and Proposed Discontinuance of TIM Program**

The committee discussed the revised program statements for CSE according to CEP's initial recommendations.

Additionally, the committee reviewed and discussed the proposal by the faculty of the Technology and Information Management (TIM) B.S. program to suspend their major. Members felt that apart from the diversity of the student body, TIM provides intellectual diversity, overlapping with the Economics Department outside BSOE. CEP recognized the need for additional resources for

instructions and made recommendations about what this could look like. If adequate resources are not provided, CEP will approve the suspension proposal.

**Action:** Program statement actions will be updated in the CAT system and correspondence to be sent to CSE chair and TIM director. Correspondence re Global Musics to be sent to VPAA Lee.

#### **IV. BME Revised Program Statement Review**

CEP made substantial comments in response to big changes proposed by the BME Department for their major. The program statement has been resubmitted. The committee discussed their response to CEP's initial review and recommendations. The program statement seemed broadly in order. Chair and lead reviewers will look for minor discrepancies.

**Action:** Correspondence to be sent to BME Department.

#### **V. Issues Related to Strike and COVID-19**

The committee discussed the multiple issues related to the ongoing grade strike and the unfolding situation regarding COVID-19 and the Chancellor's announcement the previous day that spring quarter would be going transitioning to remote learning for the entirety of the quarter. The discussion focused on:

- How to run winter quarter final exams
- How much of the recommendations for the absence of fall quarter grades apply to potential winter quarter grades
- GSI appointments without having most recent student evaluations (CCI)
- Anecdotal pressure on lecturers to submit complete grades
- CITL's communication regarding #keeplearning
- Maintaining faculty cohesion within departments about creating normality and focus on students' learning.

**Action:** Correspondence to be sent to VPDUE regarding examinations and grades in winter quarter 2020. (Published on CEP's website.)