

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY  
MINUTES

October 16, 2019  
10:40 a.m.-1:10 p.m.  
307 Kerr Hall

Present: Douglas Bonett, Manel Camps (Provost Representative), Kate Edmunds, Joy Hagen (NSTF Representative), Lindsay Hink (CCI Chair, ex officio), Rebecca Hurdis (Senate Analyst), Dongwook Lee, Ronnie Lipschutz, Pradip Mascharak, Richard Montgomery, Onuttom Narayan (Chair), Tonya Ritola, Matt Wagers

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

Absent: Tchad Sanger (University Registrar, ex-officio)

**I. Consent Agenda**

The following were approved:

- 10/02/19 Minutes
- Policy on Screening Majors for Transfer Students
- Policy on Senior Comprehensive Requirement
- Proposal to discontinue 3+3 JD/BA Program
- CEP to Senate Chair re Student Success
- CEP to ASC Lau re FTE Transfer (Confidential)

**Action:** Policies to be posted on CEP's website. Correspondence to be drafted for Partner Hire Policy and Chancellor's Memo re ODEI.

**II. Music B.A. Proposed Concentration in Global Musics**

Committee discussed the proposal from the Music Department to create two concentrations in their Music B.A. program. The committee reviewed and approved the Western Art Music concentration proposal.

Members agreed that the Global Musics concentration was comparable to other universities in the goals and strengths of the program, and that it would be useful to have such a program at UCSC. However, the committee was concerned about the sparse course offerings in some of the ten modules, the large number of ensembles, and whether the Music Department classes could absorb the additional students, since interest in this concentration was mainly from non-majors. The committee also wanted to know whether a Composition concentration was imminent, since more students seemed interested in it, and how it would affect the department's instructional capacity.

**Action:** CEP will send correspondence to VPAA.

**III. Discussion of Psychology B.A.**

The committee discussed if and how the Psychology B.A. may need strengthening. CEP discussed the curriculum in comparison to other UC campuses, and found the number of courses focused on

psychology to be slightly below what one would expect. The committee also discussed how antirequisites might make enrollment more efficient.

**Action:** Chair will email the Psychology Chair.

#### **IV. Discussion of MCD Biology Department's B.S. Programs**

The committee discussed if and how the MCD Biology department is impacted, whether it has resulted in a weakened curriculum for the MCD Biology major, and the bottle necking in their core courses since many of their students have to retake courses.

Members discussed the Neuroscience B.S. and the challenges of it not having a lab due to space and resources. Committee considered the viability of this program.

**Action:** Chair will email the MCD Biology Chair.

#### **V. Impaction**

IRAPS, at the request of CEP and CPB (starting last year) has developed impaction metrics for all departments. The committee reviewed the prototype. Members would like for there to be an option to compare departments (e.g. workload). They additionally asked if this information (once public on IRAPS) could be used for the External Review self-study.

**Action:** Committee feedback will be conveyed to IRAPS in developing the metrics.

#### **VI. Student Directed Seminars**

CEP reviewed the policy on Student Directed Seminars. The committee discussed the history of these type of courses on campus, and how this policy should be revised in that the reporting requirements have been ignored for some time. The guidelines/checklist were reviewed and discussed what the standard should be. Members discussed how the student prepares for a course and if there should be a standard or training for instruction (train the trainer model).

**Action:** Chair will contact Title IX and CITL and will bring back information to the committee for a future discussion.