

Present:

**UCC Voting:** Robert Aboolian, Annette Daoud, Dawn Formo, Gabriela Sonntag,  
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**Ex officio:** Virginia Mann, David Barsky

- 1) We approved the minutes from our February 18 meeting.
- 2) UCC had a lengthy discussion about the 5 proposed communication courses. In the discussion several issues were addressed. Should UCC take the number of courses into consideration which are offered by a department? Do 5 courses already constitute a program change which should be accompanied by a P2-Form? Should UCC try to encourage prerequisites to get a clearer picture of how newly proposed courses fit into program SLOs? Should the curriculum development stop in a certain period around the PEP submission? It also became clear that just by looking at all course descriptions in the catalog UCC cannot judge how many courses are actually taught by a department. It was our opinion that the above questions should be addressed in the future, but UCC alone might not be the place to solve the above problems. For the currently proposed communication classes UCC decided to approve the courses COMM402, COMM426, COMM460, and COMM485. We would like to encourage the originators to add the sentence "Enrollment restricted to students with junior or senior standing" to emphasize that these are courses which should not be taken in the beginning years. The course COMM456 was approved pending the submission of SLOs.
- 3) We discussed again CHEM101 and decided to wait for the C2-Forms for CHEM105 and CHEM150 before UCC will approve the course.
- 4) PSYC328 and PSYC343, Annette Daoud explained again the connection of these two classes and a proposed new degree "Child and Adolescent Development" to a new certificate in the College of Education. These two classes are also electives for the Psychology major. UCC approved the courses with one abstention. David Barsky will ask the originators if the mode of instruction C03 can be changed to C02.
- 5) We approved the course PSCI368. We will remind the originator to include the catalog description in his syllabus and ask if PSCI301 or PSCI331 would be suitable prerequisites. We compared this course to courses at different universities and decided that the course title "Model United Nations" has the advantage of being more common.
- 6) We decided to work in our next meeting on the proposed new major in Global Studies to be able to provide feedback to the originator.

Olaf Hansen