CBAS Curriculum Committee - MINUTES
February 9, 2015 @ 10:30 am
Location: Biology Conference Room, Science Bldg, #2004

The meeting was called to order by Jessica Carter. The minutes from the December meeting were approved. Members & guests present included Medha Sarkar, Clay Harris, Chong Chen, Zhifu Yang, Terry Dorris, Ayaz Ahmed, Jennifer Danylo, Terrence Lee, Dennis Mullen, Ron Henderson, & Jessica Carter.

CIM
The first item of discussion was the Concrete Industry Management (CIM) submission of 6 new course proposals as part of a 1-yr certification program. The six courses included CIM 1500 (Road Construction Safety), CIM 2500 (Road Construction Soft Skills), CIM 2510 (Fundamentals of Road Construction), CIM 2520 (Advanced Road Construction), CIM 3310 (Road Construction Internship I), and CIM 3320 (Road Construction Internship II). After much discussion, the committee decided to table this vote until we receive some edits to the existing course proposals including: removal of specific company names in the course proposal and the inclusion of this series of new courses into an existing CIM degree program. The committee voted to conduct an email vote by this Friday, Feb. 13 providing that the revised submissions are sent to the committee for review by Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 11.

BIOLOGY
a. New course proposal – Biology 4090/6090 Forest Ecology – removed from agenda until further notice.

CSCI/MATH
a. Change the prerequisite of CSCI 3080 Discrete Structures from CSCI 1170 & MATH 1910 to CSCI 1160 or CSCI 1170 AND MATH 1910 – approved.
b. Cross list CSCI 3080 with MATH 3080 – approved.

GEOS - All approved.
  a. Changes in upper division form (see attached documents in folder) to include:
     i. elimination of minor requirement in the following career tracks:
        physical geography, geographic techniques, and earth science.
     ii. Physical geography career track: add PGEO 4000, PGEO 4010, and PGEO 4020.
     iii. Earth Science career track: add GEOL 4050; move ABAS 3340 from list of required courses in major to the Math/Science cognate.
     iv. All career tracks: change wording of “advisor approved” to “geoscience mentor-approved” and other minor wording on the upper division form.

Revision of the residency requirement for the PhD in Mathematics & Science Education – approved.
ABAS – new course proposal: ABAS 6550, Advanced Equine Exercise Physiology – approved with edit to include course pre-requisite of either ABAS 4550 (Equine Exercise Physiology) or permission of department.

ET - all approved.

a. Removal of requirement for taking the comprehensive exam for students choosing the non-thesis option of ET Graduate Program. Students choosing the non-thesis option will complete the research project within the required ET 6190 course & present the results.
b. New Course Proposal: CMT 1100, Introduction to Construction Systems
c. Change prerequisites for ENGR 4580 by removing ENGR 3570
d. Inactivate CMT 1000, Introduction to Commercial Construction
e. Additions & Deletions to all Construction Management Concentrations
   i. Non-substantive revisions to Construction Management, Commercial Construction Management concentration (add CMT 1100; remove ENGR 1100, CMT 1000, ET 4710; increases electives to 3 cr hrs)
   ii. Non-substantive revisions to curriculum of Construction Management, Land Development concentration (add CMT 1100; remove ET 3910 and ET 4710; increases elective credits to 3-4 cr hr)
   iii. Non-substantive revisions to Construction Management, Electrical Construction Management concentration (add CMT 1100 and CMT 3160; remove ET 3910 and ET 4710; reduces elective credit hours to 7 from 9)
f. Remove ENGL 3620 from required courses for Mechatronics Engineering major

A doodle poll will be sent to committee members to determine the next meeting. It will need to be either on March 4, 5, or 6 in order to meet UCC and Graduate Council deadlines for the March meeting.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:50 am.