

Greetings,

At the UGCC meeting of 4/01/05 the following items were addressed:

1. The new course HUM 1015, Mythology, was approved with one opposed. There is concern that too much emphasis is being placed on the remedial student, perhaps at the expense of the better prepared student. The Department of Humanities has limited faculty resources so that addition of courses for remedial students must result in decreased offerings at the higher levels. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)
2. The new course HUM 1540, Ethics, was approved with one opposed. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)
3. The request to add a new minor in Computer Science to the curriculum was approved unanimously with the following changes. A minimum grade of C is required for CSE 1001, CSE 1002 and CSE 2010 only. The minor degree may only be earned at the same time as the student's major. (The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)
4. The new course HUM 1000 was approved with one opposed after changing the title to read "Popular Culture for Freshmen" and the computer title to "Pop Culture for Freshmen". The committee decided that the original title "Freshman Humanities" was too broad. In addition, the second sentence of the catalog description was removed and the restriction of "Freshman standing" was changed to "Freshman status".
5. The new course HUM 2385, Special Topics in World History, was approved unanimously.
6. The new course BIO 3020, Applied Forensic Biology, was approved unanimously with the stipulation that the number of lecture and/or lab hours be increased to meet the 3 credit hour value of the course. The committee also expressed concern that no objective evaluation of the major laboratory component was included in the syllabus. It was pointed out that most students in the Forensic Psychology major would not have the prerequisite biology (BIO 1010/1020) for this course. (The originator has agreed to increase the number of lab hours so that the course would meet for 1 hour of lecture and 4 hours of laboratory per week during a 1-week semester. This translates to 2.5 hours of lecture and 10 hours of laboratory per week during the 6-week summer term during which the course will be offered. The laboratory component will be graded on the basis of laboratory reports and a final exam for the laboratory. The prerequisites will be reevaluated once the course has been offered. The approved form has been sent to the Registrar.)
7. There was insufficient time to fully discuss the report of the Institutional Core Curriculum Subcommittee. This will be the first item of business at the next meeting, April 29<sup>th</sup>.