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Curriculum and Requirements Committee Meeting
October 12, 1999
8:00 a.m. – CoH 2025A

Committee members present: Louis Cicotello, Rebecca Laroche, Ron Ruminski, Maryanne Wanca-Thibault, and Linda Watts. Ex officio members present: Jo Stanbrough and Tom Wynn.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 14, 1999, were approved as submitted.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR—It was the consensus of the Committee to elect Linda Watts as Chair.

2. Cross-listing Humanities courses. Tabled.

Following considerable discussion, it was the consensus of the Committee, that prior to making a decision, several issues of concern needed to be addressed. The committee agreed to return the proposal to the Humanities Committee and ask that the following specific concerns be addressed.

a) That cross-listing may have the effect of diluting courses. They need to consider how cross-listing might impact both the HUM requirement itself (in terms of how well students achieve the synthesis of ideas and approaches presented in a HUM course) and the disciplinary courses that are to be taught in this framework.

b) Could the issues be better approached in another fashion (e.g., by simply encouraging majors to take the courses and then counting them towards the major)?

c) Are they intending to bring each course to be cross-listed to the C&R Committee or collectively? The Committee would recommend the former approach.

d) Consider possible credit transfer issues and petitions.

e) Would they like to include some prerequisites for the 300 level disciplinary focused courses?
B. OLD BUSINESS (continued)


NEW BUSINESS

1. Add the following History courses:

   History 353, Religion and Culture in America, 1500 – 1865. Approved.

2. Add ECON 366, Applying Economics To Community Problems, as a new course. Approved—contingent upon changing the course title to Economics and Community Problems, which the Committee felt described the course description more appropriately.

3. Add COM 426, Organizational Communication in the Global Environment, as a new course. Tabled.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Tom Wynn, Associate Dean LAS

Linda Watts, Chair C&R Committee

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