

COUNCIL ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Meeting Minutes: October 4, 2011

3:30-5:00 PM, 355 Loew Hall

Members present: Chris Neils, Chair (Bioen); Bruce Adey (ME); Bob Breidenthal (AA); Tom Furness (ISE); Christine Luscombe (MSE); Alex Mamishev (EE); Hal Perkins (CSE); Eve Riskin (Assoc. Dean); Mark Zachry (HCDE); Janice Henderson (Ex officio).

Members absent: René Overney (ChemE); David Stahl (CEE).

Guests: Tim Larson (CEE); Joe Mahoney (CEE); Mariko Navin (CEE); Ana Wieman (Engineering Co-op); Scott Winter (Engineering Student Academic Services).

CURRICULUM

Approved "Drop Joint Status"

- CEE 587 / OPMGT 535 / GTTL 501 *Global Trade, Transportation, & Logistics Mgmt.* and a separate application for:
- GTTL 501 / OPMGT 535 / CEE 587 *Global Trade, Transportation, & Logistics Mgmt.*

Approved Distance Learning Course Supplement

- CEE 588 *Energy Infrastructure and the Environment*

Approved New Course

- MSE 273 *Molecular Engineering of Interfaces and Surfaces*

Engineering Fundamentals Courses

Changes in some of the Engineering Fundamentals courses have led to issues that affect student progress toward applying to their intended major and toward graduating. An Engineering Fundamentals committee was formed to review how these courses are offered and suggest ways to ensure that student demand is met while accounting for the ongoing budget cuts to the departments. So far, the committee members are Chris Neils (Bioen) and Tom Furness (ISE). Two former members of the 1998 ENGR Restructuring Team – Fumio Ohuchi (MSE) and Larry Ruzzo (CSE) – will be invited to join the Engineering Fundamentals committee.

Removal of HCDE 231 and HCDE 333 from the College's Written & Oral Communication requirements

Starting autumn 2012, these two courses will no longer be offered. HCDE's Engineering Communication Program is being discontinued. Therefore, the College's writing requirements have to be changed. The University's and samples of other schools' writing requirements and options for CoE were shared. The ideal solution might be to provide funding for an existing course(s).

- **CEP members should ask in their departments how they feel about dropping the College writing requirement. This item will be discussed again at the next meeting.**
- Mark Zachry agreed to talk to his department chair about plans to possibly deliver a replacement course for HCDE 231 and 333. He will report to CEP at the next meeting.

Option for CEP to approve W designation

It was questioned whether departments should be allowed to designate W courses, or whether the CEP should take that role. It was pointed out that the UW gives individual instructors flexibility to designate W courses.

Student and Adviser representatives for CEP

CEP members were asked to inquire in their departments for an undergraduate and a graduate student representative to serve on the CEP this year. The engineering undergraduate advisers will talk about a replacement Adviser rep. at their meeting this month.

Future Autumn 2011 Meeting Dates

Time: 3:30-5:00 pm

Room: 355 Loew Hall

Dates: October 18

November 1 and 15

December 6