

COUNCIL ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Meeting Minutes: December 6, 2016

3:30 PM, Loew 355

Members present: Jennifer Turns, Chair (HCDE); Brad Holt (ChemE); Ruth Anderson (CSE); John Sahr (EE); Shan Liu (ISE); Jennifer Tsai (ISE Advisor); Mark Gantner (ME); Brian Fabien (Associate Dean for Academic Affairs); Ryan Carlin (MSE student); Scott Winter (Ex Officio, Academic Affairs)

Members absent: Uri Shumlak (AA); Chris Neils (BioE); CEE Representative; Dwayne Arola (MSE)

Guests: Sandra Maddox (MSE advisor); Don Marshall (Mathematics Professor)

November 15th CEP meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Course Applications

- *BIOEN 518 and 566* – New course applications. No BioE representative present. Tabled to the next meeting.
- *CSE 416 Introduction to Machine Learning* – New course application. New course on machine learning for non-CSE majors. It was suggested that IND E 315 be added as an acceptable prerequisite statistics course. **Approved.**
- Revisions to the following three EE courses are being made to reflect changes in the field of wireless communication. It was suggested that the course descriptions be reworked. **Approved** with the understanding the course descriptions will be revised.
 - *EE 506 Fundamentals of Wireless Communication* – Change course description
 - *EE 507 Advanced Wireless Systems* – Change title, credits, and course description
 - *EE 567 Mobile Networks* – Change title and course description

Old Business

- *Revised College DTC Proposal* – A revised 1503 proposal for the College-level direct-to-College (DTC) admission process was reviewed and discussed. The only substantive change from the previous proposal is a reduction in the size of the DTC cohort. The original proposal specified a target of 60% to 70% of engineering degrees being awarded to students admitted through the DTC pathway. In the revised proposal, the target was reduced to 50% of degrees awarded. The revised proposal was also reorganized and shortened from the original. **The revised proposal was approved for submission to FCAS.**
- *Academic Misconduct Process* – There was follow-up discussion about a committee to review misconduct processes and provide recommendations. The charge to a committee needs to be articulated. Membership will likely consist of non-CEP faculty and staff. It was noted that the committee should have student representation. It was also noted that any new process will need to accommodate the demands of large courses such as CSE 142/143 and ME 123.

New Business

- *Proposed changes to transfer evaluation criteria for MATH 126* – Professor Don Marshall from the Mathematics department provided an overview of proposed changes to evaluation criteria for MATH 126. The proposal would allow transfer equivalency to be awarded for MATH 126 if all material was covered with the exception of Taylor polynomials and series. This change would only apply to courses brought to the department for evaluation. Washington community college course work currently in the transfer guide would not be affected at this time. Mathematics has communicated with the 30 departments that have programs requiring MATH 126. Twenty programs that have provided feedback. Of those programs, AA and CSE have indicated their objection to the change. Several other programs have expressed concern with students missing the content but recognize the rationale and reluctantly support the change. There was general discussion of the proposal which reinforced the concern about the missing content, but sentiments were that students would be able to manage.