COUNCIL ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Meeting Minutes: June 4, 2019

3:30 PM, Loew 355

Members present: Mike Dodd, chair (CEE); Jennifer Tsai (ISE Advisor); Andrew Davidson (HCDE); Jim Ritcey (ECE), Valerie Daggett (BioE); Shan Liu (ISE); Ruth Anderson (CSE); Sawyer Fuller (ME); Dwayne Arola (MSE); Rene Overney (ChemE); Brian Fabien (Associate Dean, Academic Affairs);

Members absent: JK Yang (AA); Brian Fabien (Associate Dean, Academic Affairs);

Guests: Mike Engh (COE), Virginia Vacchiery (COE), Julia Shettler (COESAC), Shanai Lechtenberg (COE), Ed Connery (AA); Dianne Hendricks

Review of Minutes

• May 21 – Approved

• Course Proposals (see below)

• See table below for new and modify course proposals

Programs

Old Business

- VLPA credit for first-year language courses (Kevin Mihata and Cynthia Caci, College of Arts & Sciences)
 - Question has come up about 1st year language courses counting for VLPA, at least until 103 and beyond. Some language courses have a VLPA designation due to changes in curriculum in the class
 - One concern is transfer students not having the same curriculum
 - o In A&S some Humanities chairs had a discussion about the fact you can't get VLPA for 1st year languages. You could not have them count for both VLPA and language requirement. They looked at those languages that have more literature based curriculum and designated them VLPA.
 - DARS cannot differentiate between the 2nd language designation as VLPA vs foreign language requirement.
 - In A&S they determined this designation because they have a foreign language requirement
 - o In A&S transfer credits would count as VLPA if it is their 2nd language
 - Motivation was to get more students in the courses and that the languages would be taught across the department with these extra pieces.
 - o In A&S they have 20 credits of VLPA required, but in CoE it is only 10.

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- Question if there will be more languages asking for this. Yes, some have, but so far the big languages have not.
- The impetus for language not counting until the 3rd quarter as VLPA in A&S was most likely a way to keep enrollment manageable.
- We will most likely look at this again in the fall with a smaller sub group of CEP to see what the impacts are and if we should change the CoE policy.

• New Business

- First-year common curriculum
 - Placement requirements would be updated for all departments in order to allow for a common first-year curriculum for all DTC students. This also gets students ready to request more majors (ideally 6) when they request placement.
 - o Common required courses would include:
 - ENGR 101
 - *MATH 124, 125, 126*
 - CHEM 142
 - PHYS 121
 - At least two courses from a list including CHEM 152, CHEM 162, PHYS 122, PHYS 123, CSE 143, CSE 160, AMATH 301)
 - ENGR 101 would be added as a placement requirement because of the importance of this course in orienting DTC students
 - Concerns that this puts pressure on some majors to take extra classes to qualify for requirements, applicants will need to know this going in
 - Chem 142 is not required for CSE, but if they do not take it they cannot apply for any other major so we highly discourage them from not taking this class. If a student does not do CHEM 142 and they do not get into CSE on the first round of department admissions they can take it Year 2 to open up other majors.
 - Question about cluster model it has the same problems we have now, if everyone only goes with one cluster and not the others.
 - This helps us to be more unified in our first year like other institutions.
 - o Placement ideally would be 90% done in the first round
 - We want to present to the departments so they are on board. The goal would be to implement this for 2020 entry class. Next step is to draft 1503's.
 - o Goal is by P3 everyone should have already been placed.
 - o In Year 2 we will also look at our current Engineering fundamental classes and what we can do to make classes have parity in teaching across the college

• Next Year's Chair

• We need to select a new chair for CEP

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• If you are interested in being the chair or nominating someone let Brian and Mike know

• Adjourn

Tentative first meeting of Autumn Quarter: September 24

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June 4, 2019 - College of Engineering Council on Educational Policy Meeting, Course Applications

Course	Туре	Submit Date	Title	Notes	Subcomm. Status	CEP Status
CEE 459	Modify	May 28 2019	Advanced Structural Mechanics			APPROVED
EE 415	Modify	May 30 2019	Computer-Aided System Analysis and Design			APPROVED