
Curriculum Committee Minutes

Sub-Committee of the Academic Senate

Spring 2024 Semester

Meeting Thursday, April 11th, 2024, 2:15 pm

Emergency Zoom link: <https://marin-edu.zoom.us/j/82951617913>

Present in AC 303: Gina Cullen, Jason Dunn, Bob McCoy, Sara Malmquist-West, Sara McKinnon, Maria Coulson, Cara Kreit, Grace Yuan.

Present in Zoom room:

Alex Jones – KTD office

Aneissa Rosas-Sanchez – KTD office

Sheldon Carroll – KTD office

Seth Cortright – IVC office

Absent: Luna Finlayson, Beth Sheofsky

Standing Items

1. Call to Order at 2:17 pm in AC 303
2. Approval of the amended agenda
 - Motion to approve the agenda: Bob McCoy
 - Second the motion: Sara McKinnon
 - Approved
3. Approval of the amend minutes
 - Motion to approve: Sara Malmquist-West
 - Second the motion: Sara McKinnon
 - Vote: approved.
4. Public Announcement
 - none
5. Chair's Announcements:
 - Updates on Common Course Numbering (CCN)
 - Implement Phase I cluster of courses in Fall 2025
 - Phase 1 cluster: 6 courses (ENGL 150, ENGL 155, COMM 103, MATH 115/STAT 115, POLS 100/POLS 101, PSY 110)
 - Implementation plan forthcoming
 - Sara MW will start reaching out to related departments

Discussion

1. GDES/MMST Substantive Change – Seth Cortiright

- Target course: GDES/MMST 120
- Add prerequisite option of: GDES/MMST 112 Graphic Design (current prerequisite = GDES/MMST 115 Photoshop)
- The request to adopt GDES/MMST 112 as a prerequisite was based on the relevant skills provided by GDES 112 that apply to GDES 120.
- Seth would like students that have taken either GDES/MMST 112 or GDES/MMST 115 to be eligible to enroll for GDES/MMST 120.
- Discussion:
 - There was a clarification discussion on whether to add or replace the prerequisite for GDES/MMST 120. It was decided to add GDES/MMST 112 as an "or" option.
 - Gina inquired about the possibility of terminating cross-listing GDES and MMST courses. Sara will meet with GDES/MMST faculty to discuss transfer destinations and potential cross-listing strategies.

2. ADT-Social Work – Alex Jones, Sara MW

- TMC – Social Work was shown to the Committee
- New Course Prefix and Courses: This degree will introduce new courses under SWHS (Social Work and Human Services) prefix.
- Earn-and-Learn Model: The program could include career pathway opportunities such as certificates, an associate degree, pre-apprenticeship, and apprenticeship programs.
- Workforce and Job Opportunities: Demonstrated need and job opportunities exist in Marin County for roles such as certified wellness coaches and social workers.
- Transfer Pathway: The program prepares students for transfer to CSU and UCB Social Work/Social Welfare programs. A recommended course sequence will be developed to meet the transfer requirements at CSUs popular with COM students, including CSU Long Beach and San Diego State.

3. New Math Course – Maria Coulson

- Title: Differential Equations and Linear Algebra
- Prefix: Math; Number TBD
- CSU articulation descriptor: CID 910
- Purpose: To combine Math 224 (Elementary Differential Equations) and 116 (Linear Algebra) but less units.
- Pre-requisite: not changes; stay with Math 124.
- Intended to serve STEM/MESA students and address the challenges of rotating Math 116 and 224
- None of the CCCs in the bay area offer the combined course.
- Discussion Points:
 - There were questions about whether Math 224 and 116 will be phased out.
 - Concerns were raised about why these courses should remain separate, noting that schools articulating Math 116 could accept the combined course.
 - The rotation issue between Math 224 and 116 was discussed, with a note that Math 224 (Differential Equation) may be phased out.

4. 2023 Mandatory Revision Review – Gina Cullen, Grace Yuan

Gina led the committee in reviewing, discussing, and recommending the deactivation. Tentative list below and Gina will reach out the departments accordingly:

- FIRE 255
- VOCN
- ECE (courses that are not in workflows)
- MMST 101

Action:

- Bob McCoy moved to approve the consent agenda items. Sara MW seconded the motion. Vote: approved. No objections. No abstentions.

Meeting adjourned at 3:04 pm.