

Educational Policy Committee (EPC)

March 28th, 2016

Present: Provost Cindy Speaker, Professors Niamh O'Leary, Jeanne Goddard, and Susan Wansor, Student Rep. Chris Castro

Call to Order: 1:48 pm

1. Approval of minutes from March 21st, 2016: approved
2. Note from O'Leary: Position Request
 - a. Asked if possible to get a faculty ratio per department for position requests since there are departments with 3 faculty members asking for a fourth and some with 1 asking for a second.
 - b. See if it's possible to get number of faculty and number of students served from Nicole for programs requested.
3. Discussion of the role of EPC and assessment: implement within the description of the committee
 - a. It's not in the faculty manual, maybe meet with curriculum committee to discuss.
4. Repeat Policy
 - a. Put forth notice of motion- added current language
 - b. Clarify bulleted points towards end- students can still take classes elsewhere to fulfill requirements
 - c. Substitution and waiver of class is not the same as retake
 - d. Last bullet point for if and when to limit number of repeats
 - i. No previous data to help with a decision
 - e. 4th bullet: strike 1st 3 words
 - f. Have there be a consideration for repeat and there are other options for students, such as withdrawl
 - g. Keep a relatively small number for repeats (options to petition)
 - h. 2nd before last change to repeat course with option to take pass/fail for clarification (students may take repeated course pass/fail if that course is not in the major or minor.
 - i. Send for notice of motion in April
5. Gen Ed Curriculum
 - a. Pick apart the info gathered by O'Leary; divide the document to help understand the feedback. Maybe read one component per week or a limited amount of document.
 - b. Clarify wording in regards to language requirement
 - c. In regards to language, IEPs in high school shows that a student can be exempted which can translate to college, but not often. Should it be changed in the same occurrence at the college level?

6. Position Requests

- a. Next week, look at those that are more pressing.
- b. Need to have people for courses offered.

Meeting end: 2:34