

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE
November 1, 2023

The Undergraduate AP&P Committee met on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 3:00 pm via Zoom.

Committee members present: Dr. Shannon Cline, Dr. Chris Cook, Dr. Ed Hassler, Dr. Jeff Hirst, Dr. Jamie Levine, Dr. Stephen McCreery, Mr. Jason Miller, Dr. Brad Nash, Dr. Nii Okine, Ms. Hannah Rhoades, Dr. Katy Strand, Dr. Teresa Sumrall

Committee members excused: Dr. Manan Roy

Committee members not excused: Dr. Whitney Bevill, Dr. Susan Lappan, Dr. Tanga Mohr

At 3:03 p.m. a quorum was met and Dr. Hirst called the meeting to order and welcomed the members.

Approval of Minutes

- October 4, 2023

VOTE 1 – To approve the October 4, 2023 minutes with the correction of adding Chris Cook's name to the attendance - PASSED

Subcommittees

- AP&P Joint Subcommittee – Dr. Hirst ask if anyone that would like to volunteer for the AP&P Joint Subcommittee to contact him.

2. Announcements/FIOs

- FIO – The General Education Council did not meet on October 27, 2023. The next meeting is December 1, 2023.
- The UNC System Office notified ASU that the CIP code for the Civic Engagement undergraduate certificate (613A/33.0104) was no longer valid. The CIP code has been changed to 44.0201.
- FIO - Semester Offerings Changes

PHL 3020 changed from Fall, Alternate Years to Fall, Odd-numbered years
PHL 3050 changed from Fall, Alternate Years to Fall, Even-numbered years
PHL 3500 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
PHL 3520 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
PHL 4549 / PHL 5649 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
REL 2150 changed from Spring to Fall; Spring
REL 2180 changed from Fall, Alternate Years to Fall, Even-numbered Years
REL 2500 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
REL 3170 changed from Spring, Alternate Years to Spring, Even-numbered years
REL 3500 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
REL 3520 changed from Fall; Spring to On Demand
REL 3600 changed from Spring, Summer Session; On Demand to On Demand
REL 3760 changed from Spring, Alternate Years to Spring, Odd-numbered years
REL 3770 changed from Spring, Alternate Years to Spring, Even-numbered years
ECO 3850 changed from On Demand to Fall
ECO 3680 changed from On Demand to Spring

3. **New Business** (Total 4)
University College (1)
College of Arts and Sciences (3)

The proposal from University College was approved as follows:

U_UC_UCO_2023_1

Change the course description of **UCO 1200 – First Year Seminar (3)** and change the First Year Seminar description in the Undergraduate Bulletin to read as follows:

UCO 1200 - First Year Seminar (3)

When Offered: Fall; Spring

GEN ED: First Year Seminar

First Year Seminar provides students with an introduction to a liberal arts education at Appalachian. Students practice thinking critically and creatively, communicating effectively, developing intercultural competence, and developing information literacy competence. Students also engage with the common reading book, and are exposed to university resources and activities, explicit expectations for college-level work, and the purpose of a liberal arts education. In addition to examining distinct topics from multiple perspectives, all classes equip students with a common set of transferable skills. In particular, First Year Seminar facilitates student engagement with fellow students, the university, and the community, and the development of the habits of rigorous study, intellectual growth, and lifelong learning.

NOTE: The First Year Seminar requirement in General Education (which is satisfied by UCO 1200, HON 1515, or WRC 1103) is waived for students who (1) graduated from high school at least one year prior to entering Appalachian, (2) are classified as transfer students by Admissions, AND (3) have earned at least 24 transferable semester credit hours at postsecondary institutions prior to entering Appalachian. Credit by exam or for military or life experience is excluded from the 24 semester credit hours. Students whose First Year Seminar requirement in General Education is waived might have three fewer semester credit hours of General Education.

First Year Seminar Program Description

The First Year Seminar requirement in General Education provides students with an introduction to a liberal arts education. Students in First Year Seminar practice thinking critically and creatively, communicating effectively, developing intercultural competence, and developing information literacy competence. Students also engage with the common reading book, and are exposed to university resources and activities, explicit expectations for college-level work, and the purpose of a liberal arts education. In addition to examining distinct topics from multiple perspectives, all First Year Seminar classes equip students with a common set of transferable skills. In particular, First Year Seminar facilitates student engagement with fellow students, the university, and the community, and the development of the habits of rigorous study, intellectual growth, and lifelong learning.

VOTE 2 – To approve the proposal from University College - PASSED

The proposals (3) from the College of Arts and Sciences were approved as follows:

Department of Philosophy and Religion

- U_CAS_P&R_2023_1 Change the course title, semester offering, and description, of **PHL 3000 – Ancient Philosophy (3)** to read as follows:
PHL 3000 - Ancient Philosophies (3)
When Offered: Fall and Spring
GEN ED: Historical Studies Designation; Liberal Studies Experience
A study of major ancient philosophers and philosophical texts, including classical Greek and Roman thought. May also include texts from Chinese, Indian, and other sources.
(Global Learning Opportunity course)

POS Affected: 101A, 127, Gen Ed
- U_CAS_P&R_2023_2 Change the course description and prerequisite statement of REL **4700 – Senior Seminar (3)** to read as follows:
REL 4700 - Senior Seminar (3)
When Offered: Spring
GEN ED: Capstone Experience
An intensive study of special problems, topics, or issues related to the study of religion. The subject matter of this course will vary.
Prerequisite: Completion of at least six semester hours of religious studies (REL) course work at the 3000 or 4000 level, including REL 3700.
- U_CAS_P&R_2023_3 Change the course description and prerequisite statement of **PHL 4700 – Senior Research: Philosophy (3)** to read as follows:
PHL 4700 - Senior Research: Philosophy (3)
When Offered: Spring
GEN ED: Capstone Experience
Restricted to Philosophy majors. Formulation and completion of an independent research project in the context of a seminar in which the student's ideas, drafts, and thesis are developed, and the final product presented. Students will synthesize knowledge and skills gained in the major in analyzing materials specific to the discipline. Emphasis is placed on thinking critically and creatively and demonstrating clear and effective writing and oral communication.
Prerequisites: Completion of at least 6 semester hours of philosophy (PHL) coursework at the 3000 or 4000 level, including PHL 3300 or PHL 3400; declared major in Philosophy.

VOTE 3 – To approve the proposals from the Department of Philosophy and Religion - PASSED

Old Business

Other

Adjournment

Vote by acclamation to adjourn - PASSED

The recommendations from the November 1, 2023 Undergraduate Academic Policies and Procedures Committee meeting are approved.

Heather Norris

12/7/2023

Heather Hulburt Norris
Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor

Date
