MINUTES
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
February 25, 2013
230 STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING, 3:00 p.m.

Present: D. Zahm (Chair); D. Thorp; A. Zink-Sharp; R. Holloway; C. Boone and J. Sible for R. Benson; S. Taheri; D. Smith; D. M. Denbow; D. Stauffer; S. Sumner for A. Grant; G. Long for Lay Nam Chang; C. Clemenz for R. Sorenson; T. Drowne for J. Browder; Y. Stivachtis; K. DeBose for A. Scripa

Absent with Notification: A. Hawthorne; R. Panneton; V. Fowler; G. Kirk

Absent without Notification: G. Schurig; D. Kendrick; A. Hager; K. Lukish; J. Rankin; J. Arthur; A. Pasquariello; B. Ashley

Visitors: G. Costello; J. Belcher; W. Ashton; N. Onopa

Call to Order and Announcements
The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Diane Zahm, Chair.

Adoption of the Agenda
Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

Announcement of Approval and Posting of Minutes
Diane Zahm announced the February 15, 2013 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar’s website (http://www.registrar.vt.edu/governance/dates-materials/CUSP_2012-2013/index.html)

Old Business
Resolution 2012-13.E Resolution to Approve the Major in Environmental Informatics, in Bachelor of Science in Forestry and Wildlife, for Second Reading.

The motion to approve Resolution 2012-13.E Resolution to Approve the Major in Environmental Informatics, in Bachelor of Science in Forestry and Wildlife, effective Fall 2013, approved unanimously.
New Business

Reports and Minutes from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curricula

Audrey Zink-Sharp presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula meeting of February 15, 2013. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula Report of February 15, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval

Courses

New:

Spring 2013

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
AT 0464 – Forages and Forage Animal Systems (CM-940)

Fall 2013

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
AT 0344 – Grain Crop Management (CM-939)
AAEC 4114/FIN 4114 – Financial Planning Technology and Modeling (CM-992)

College of Engineering

AOE 4414 – Computer-Aided Space Mission Planning (CM-968)
CS 4264 – Principles of Computer Security (CM-920)
ESM 3134 – Dynamics III – Vibration and Control (CM-1002)
ESM 3234 – Fluid Mechanics I – Control Volume Analysis (CM-1004)
ESM 3334 – Fluid Mechanics II – Differential Analysis (CM-1006)
ESM 3444 – Mechanics Laboratory (CM-1005)
Spring 2014

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

AT 0444 – Computer-Aided Drafting for Landscaping (CM-994)

Revised:

Fall 2013

College of Engineering

ESM 3034 – Fluid Mechanics Laboratory (CM-972)
ESM 3054/MSE 3054 – Mechanical Behavior of Materials (CM-974)
ESM 3064/MSE 3064 – Mechanical Behavior of Materials Laboratory (CM-971)
ESM 3154 – Solid Mechanics (CM-1003)

Majors, Minors, Options

Majors

New:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Establishment of Major: Bachelor of Science in Forestry and Wildlife, Major: Environmental Informatics, Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016, first enrollment effective Fall 2013 (CM-847) NOTE: Approved by CUC on October 26, 2012.

Checksheat: Bachelor of Science in Forestry and Wildlife, Major: Environmental Informatics, Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2016 (CM-847) NOTE: Approved by CUC on October 26, 2012.

Revised:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2015

Rev. 2/27/2013
College of Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering (CM-1000)

Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering and Management (CM-999)

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (CM-1001)

Minors

New:

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2013

College of Engineering

Establishment of Minor: Interdisciplinary Engineering and Science, first enrollment effective Spring 2013 (CM-986)

Checksheet: Interdisciplinary Engineering and Science Minor (CM-986)

Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2015

College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Establishment of Minor: Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, first enrollment effective Spring 2013 (CM-898)

Checksheet: Minor in Peace Studies and Violence Prevention (CM-898)

Other Business

Honor Code:

Nick Onopa, Undergraduate Student Representative for the Board of Visitors, presented a Mission Statement of Academic Integrity called “Hokie Honor”. Through research of student focus groups it was determined that a lack of understanding of the University Honor Code exists among the student body. To help educate current and incoming students on the Honor Code, the University is being asked to adopt “In-Tech-rity” as the official campaign for Academic Integrity at Virginia Tech.
Posthumous:
Rachel Holloway, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Academic Affairs, moved approval of the posthumous awarding of the degree Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Summa Cum Laude, Honors Scholars Diploma, to Dieter Reinhardt Seltzer, effective Spring 2013. Dr. Holloway indicated the request was based on the recommendation of the faculty of Philosophy and supported by the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences. The motion passed unanimously.

Annual Report on Courses Not Taught:
Gary Costello, Assistant Registrar, presented the annual report for the Presidential Policy Memorandum 273, Policy on Untaught Courses in the Undergraduate Course Catalog and the Curriculum for Liberal Education. 224 undergraduate courses not taught within the past 5 years have been discontinued by the Office of the University Registrar effective Spring 2013.

Adjournment
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jene R. Belcher
Office of the University Registrar