Educational Policies Committee Agenda, March 3, 2011

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EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE AGENDA

3 March 2011

A meeting of the Educational Policies Committee will be held on 3 March 2011 at 3 p.m. in Old Main 338 (College of Humanities and Social Sciences Large Conference Room).

I. Approval of the minutes of the 3 February 2011 meeting (see attachment)

II. Subcommittee Reports

A. Curriculum Subcommittee (Ed Reeve)

1. Course Approvals

2. Request from the Nutrition, Dietetics and Food Sciences Department to suspend the Biotechnology Emphasis

3. Request from the Department of Languages, Philosophy and Speech Communication to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Global Communication

B. Academic Standards Subcommittee (David Hole)

Academic Standards Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
17 February 2011
FL 113
Convened 3:30 pm
Attendees: Stephanie Hamblin (Advising), John Mortensen (Registrar), Richard Mueller (Science), David Hole (Ag), John Barton (RCDE), Charlie Huenemann (HSS) Layne Coppock (CNR)

AGENDA ITEMS:
Exceptions to the no test week policy at CEU and USU were approved (proposed changes are indicated below).
Minor changes to the academic standing policy were approved (proposed changes are indicated below).

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm
No-Test Days
A five-day period, designated as No-test Days, precedes the five days of final examinations which are normally scheduled at the close of each academic semester. During No-test Days, no major examinations, including final examinations, will be given in order that students may concentrate on classwork, the completion of special assignments, writing projects, and other preparation for duly scheduled final examinations. Approved exceptions include: final papers; weekly chapter quizzes; quizzes, projects, or examinations associated with a lab that does not meet during final examinations; and final examinations for broadcast courses.

Academic Standing Policy
(Only segments with recommended changes are included below)

Notifications, Transcript Notations, and Registration Holds
An undergraduate student placed on academic warning or academic probation shall be notified in writing of that action by his or her college dean, advisor, or other college or departmental representative. An undergraduate student placed on academic suspension shall be notified in writing of that action by the Office of Retention and Student Success (or by the Academic Advising and Orientation Office at USU-CEU). Since these notifications will typically be sent by e-mail, it is the student’s responsibility to check his or her preferred e-mail account as designated in Access (see E-mail Communication Policy). A notation Academic Warning, Academic Probation, or Academic Suspension is placed on the student’s transcript. Students on academic warning or academic probation will have a hold placed on their registration and must meet with their academic advisor.

Academic Standing for Student Athletics Eligibility
Student athletes are considered, for purposes of athletics eligibility and NCAA or NJCAA intercollegiate competition, to be in good standing if they meet the applicable NCAA or NJCAA grade point average rule and are able to register for classes and attend during the next subsequent regular academic semester.

Suspension Appeal Process
Any suspended student wishing to appeal his or her academic suspension must meet with the matriculation advisor, located in the Office of Retention and Student Success (or the Academic Advising and Orientation Office at USU-CEU), and express a desire to make an appeal. Students should understand that, while they are entitled to appeal their suspension, very few appeals will be approved.

The student must write an appeal letter and complete an appeal form. The appeal letter must include: (1) a clear explanation as to why the student believes the suspension penalties should be lifted, (2) an account of reasons why the student feels he or she didn’t perform well, and (3) a description of the student’s plan for improvement.

The matriculation advisor, who serves as the chair of the Suspension Appeals Committee will submit the appeal letter (attached to the student’s transcript) to the committee. The matriculation advisor will contact the student’s academic advisor to solicit additional information that might be relevant to the committee’s decision. Additionally, the matriculation advisor will find out if the student’s department supports a suspension reversal or not.
**Readmission Following Academic Suspension**
Students who have been suspended once may apply for readmission after a one-semester layout at USU-CEU, or a two-semester layout at USU. Students who have been suspended two times may apply for readmission following a layout of one full calendar year.

**C. General Education Subcommittee (Norm Jones)**

**GENERAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES**

*February 15, 2011 8:30 A.M.*  
Champ Hall Conference Room  
Present: Larry Smith, Provost’s Office; Christie Fox, Honors; Janet Anderson, Agriculture; John Mortensen, Registrar’s Office; Dick Mueller, Science; Roberta Herzberg, Social Sciences; Shelley Lindauer, Education; Kathy Chudoba, Business; Susan Neel, CEU; Michele Hillard, Secretary, Charlie Huenemann, HASS; Carolyn Cárdenas, Creative Arts  
Absent: Norm Jones, Chair; Dan Coster, Quantitative Intensive; Mary Leavitt, HASS Advising; Wendy Holliday, Library; Vince Lafferty, RCDE; Stephanie Hamblin, University Advising; Bruce Saperston, Arts; Craig Petersen, American Institutions; Layne Coppock, Natural Resources; Rhonda Miller, Communications Literacy/Intensive; Brock Dethier, HASS; Wynn Walker, Engineering; Ryan Dupont, Life & Physical Sciences; Brian McCuskey, English; Tyler Tolson, ASUSU President

Dick Mueller called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**
Dick Mueller moved to approve the minutes of January 18. Motion was carried unanimously.

**Course Approvals**
THEA 5320 (DHA) – Withdrawn  
HONR 3020 (DHA) – Approved by Christie Fox, seconded by Roberta Herzberg. This Social Gaming Class is capped at 15 students.  
ECN 5150 (CI) – Pending

**Syllabi Approvals**
USU 1320 (BHU) – Aaron L. Crawford – Denied

**Other Business**
Draft R470 – Rescind the action taken in November regarding ACT/SAT scores and the QL requirement. (Waive QL with an ACT/SAT score of 25 or higher or an SAT Math score of 580 or higher). Action was moved by Charlie Huenemann and seconded by Kathy Chudoba. Approved unanimously.

USU-CEU Integration – adopt USU general education requirements for Fall 2011. University study requirements adopted for Fall 2012.

**Meeting Adjourned**
Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m. in Champ Hall

**III. Other Business**