

Committee on Academic Policy and Procedure / Minutes
Monday, September 24, 2012
4-5 pm, Julian 372

Present: Carroll Bible and Natasha Oliver (student representatives), Nicole Brockmann (FYS chair), Nahyan Fancy, Tim Good, David Harvey (VPAA), Marnie McInnes (recorder), Alex Puga, Fred Soster (chair)

1. Minutes were approved from CAPP meetings on 4/30/12, 8/27/12, and 9/17/12.
2. As AFDC and Writing Program Director, Mike Sinowitz has joined the FYS Committee. VPAA David Harvey appoints three representatives to the FYSC, each of whom has a vote. The VPAA agreed to designate Mike Sinowitz as one of these three representatives for this year. This is a solution for now, while we consider the structure of the FYS Committee and WPCC, and the role of these committees within the University committee structure, in general.
3. Ken reported that there are 400 fewer seats in the SS area than in the other two distribution areas. We debated whether we should allow students to satisfy the SS requirement with courses in the same department (under different listings): Anth and Soc, Art History and Studio Art, for example. There are four dual-listing departments: ART, CLST, ML, S&A. We accepted Ken's proposed change in the handbook language and will take the motion to the next faculty meeting.
4. Letter to the chairs: 1) CAPP is considering how to generate more courses that satisfy distribution requirements. We would like chairs to consider whether they can offer a few more introductory level courses (100 and 200-level) open to all students--courses that are not simply prerequisite courses for department majors. 2) We'll also suggest that the chairs discuss the meaning of course levels (100, 200, 300, 400) within their departments/programs, since these designations seem to differ widely from department to department. A revised letter will be sent to Rebecca Schindler, chair of chairs. David will provide relevant enrollment data.
5. Questions for VP Dan Meyer:
 - a. Admission criteria; number of applicants; percentage of admissions; yield
 - b. What's changed most in last year or so?
 - c. What advice might he want from CAPP?
 - d. Projections for future?
 - e. Could we see the new admission booklets?
 - f. Is change in discount rate working? the switch from merit to need-based aid?
How are these changes affecting recruitment?

6. Next meeting: Monday, October 8, 2012, 4-5:30 pm.