Friday, November 8, 2019

Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Courtney Thatcher, Lynnette Claire, Brad Reich, Jacob P, Julie Christoph, Jane Carlin, Elena Staver, Jonathan Stockdale, Gary McCall, Kathleen Campbell, Jeff Tepper

 Approval of last meeting's minutes delayed to future meeting due to delay in distribution

Julie Christoph - provided up-to-date list on courses approved this semester

GQS major proposal

- Working group reports it is a strong proposal, has strong support of their faculty, and no apparent weakness
- Concern that no permanent faculty line exists that is dedicated to the major despite student demand and interest in program
- GQS feels there is no concern that GQS major will siphon from other majors, rather they think most GQS majors will be double majors

general question for CC members was raised - is the (perceived) proliferation of the number of majors offered on campus a concern?

- Are we creating curriculum that encourages students to double major? Is this wise and/or intentional?
- does it result in a limited breadth of courses taken by the double major because fewer electives can be pursued?

GQS proposal (cont.)

- Discussion over issue that 7 of 8 units for major can not double count- consensus is that this is not an issue or problem, nor unique to GQS proposal
- Motion to approve/second/passed
 - Included recommendation and support for faculty staffing to support the GQS curriculum, as was previously stated in last year's CC report.

Review of Honors Program

- All appears to be in order
- Motion to approve/second/passed

Motion to adjourn/second

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gary McCall