

Curriculum Committee Report, 4/15/14, by Miguel Abrahantes

The Curriculum Committee Meeting took place on Thursday April 15, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in Martha Miller. The committee considered 2 proposals:

1- A proposal from Julia Randel, Director of Global Learning and Curtis Gruenler, Director of General Education, about the relationship between AP credit and Global Learning flags. The committee approved a policy that Global Learning course attributes will not be awarded for Advanced Placement courses.

2- Consideration of the revised proposal for a Peace and Justice Studies Minor. The policy was reconsidered with more information on the proposed budget and a revised list of potential course electives. Each potential elective needs to meet at least one of the learning objectives for Peace and Justice minor. Students would take electives in at least two different departments. The minor will be housed in the Sociology/Social Work department and space and administrative support will be provided. Pam Koch is willing to be the Director for the program. There are currently no guidelines for compensating the Director's of programs that are minors. Funding: A donor is willing to contribute \$5,000 over the next three years. After the March, 2014 meeting, at which time the Curriculum Committee approved the foundation course, contingent upon approval of funding, the funding for an adjunct instructor to teach the foundation course, Introduction to Peace Studies, was declined until the program is approved. The foundation course would not be offered until Fall of 2015. Questions about specific electives were discussed, including Eng 233 and 234, which are Gen Ed. requirements. Students may take only one course that is also a general education requirement. The Chair entertained a motion to approve the Minor in Peace and Justice Studies as amended with the understanding that it will be reviewed after the third year.