

SUKCEC Minutes

December 1, 2023

10:00am – 11:00pm

Zoom

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Voting Members Present

Keiko Tanaka – Chair Loka Ashwood
Joe Martin Nick Nguyen
Mel Stein Irina Voro
Ron Wilhelm Hongbin Zhang
Josh Abboud Jennifer Scarduzio
Shannon Nguyen

Voting Members Absent

Harper Lawson

Non-voting Members/Guests Present

Adam Bohland Katie Cardarelli Clayton Thyne
Pearl James Jennifer Bartlett Mike Shanks
Marianne Young

1. Call to Order

Chair Tanaka called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

2. Approval of minutes from November 3, 2023 (see attached)

Motion to approve the minutes from November 3, 2023 was made by Stein and seconded by Voro. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

3. Approval of agenda

Prior to the approval of the agenda, Scarduzio asked to move LIN 211 to the consent agenda. Ashwood also asked that CJ 123 be moved to the consent agenda. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Scarduzio and seconded by Stein. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

4. Announcements

Chair Tanaka announced and briefly discussed the following:

Workshops for AY 2024-2025 UK Core Assessment will be held for instructors of Core courses.

Call for Evaluators for AY 2023-2024 UK Core Assessment by February 2024. If any of the committee members are interested in being an evaluator they are encouraged to participate.

5. Old Business

- Policy: Subtitle Required (SR) courses (Appendix A)

Chair Tanaka welcomed Honors College Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Pearl James and College of A & S Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Clayton Thyne to the meeting. James discussed subtitle required (SR) courses in the Honors College and the need for a different method of selecting ones that are appropriate for the courses they propose. The faculty who teach these courses is a changing group and there is a need to have a way to offer SR courses more smoothly as is discussed in detail on #4 on Appendix A. The model proposed will

become the SR method for other colleges to adapt and use when a shell is needed for a core class with SR. This shell will be referred to as the Lewis Honors SR Requirement for Course Approvals. Thyne added that he felt that this template would be adaptable to course proposals in Arts and Sciences.

Motion was made by Stein and seconded by Wilhelm to approve Appendix A as the Lewis Honors SR Requirement for Course Approvals. A vote was taken, with none opposed or abstained.

- **Policy: UK Core courses approved for two Core areas (Appendix B)**
A vigorous discussion was led by Chair Tanaka regarding core courses that have been approved for credit in two different core areas. While the dual focus in the course offers more flexibility, appeal to a larger number of students and allows greater flexibility on a degree audit, there is concern that this type of course is not being assessed yearly and that instructors who teach the course are not aware of the necessary dual emphasis. It was decided to pause the approval of courses requesting credit in two areas until further information is available. No vote was taken on the issue.
- **Policy: UK Core courses which have not taught over 5 years (Appendix C)**
Chair Tanaka and Shanks discussed with the committee several options regarding how to deal with core courses that haven't been taught in over five years. Included in the feedback was how to deal with courses that offer transfer credit to students for classes that are no longer being taught at UK. A change in the number of years in UK policy that a course is allowed to remain in the catalog was also suggested. Chair Tanaka will discuss this issue further with the Undergraduate Council and report back to the committee.

6. Consent Agenda: Course Reviews

Humanities Core Area (Melissa Stein)

- PHI 100: Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality

Social Science Core Area (Jennifer Scarduzio)

- MAS 201: Communication Technologies and Society

Social Science Core Area (Jennifer Scarduzio)

- LIN 211: Introduction to the Study of Language

US Citizenship (Loka Ashwood)

- CJ 123: Introduction to Criminal Justice

7. Discussion: Course Reviews

Global Dynamics (Donna Kwon/Keiko Tanaka)

- ARC 315: World Architecture and Urbanism
Chair Tanaka indicated that changes need to be made to this proposal and will contact the proposer for additional information and edits.

8. New Business

UK Core revisions: Brainstorming

Chair Tanaka announced that she and Shanks are on the UK Core Revisions committee. Committee members were encouraged to send ideas to her regarding revisions for core.

Before adjournment it was decided that the committee will continue to meet at the same time and date for the spring semester 2024 – First Friday of the month from 11-12am on Zoom. Stein announced she will be on sabbatical during the spring semester 2024.

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ashwood and seconded by Voro at 10: 59am.

Minutes submitted by Ann B. Eads