Loyola University New Orleans College of Arts and Sciences College Curriculum Committee

Minutes
Thursday February 2, 2017
Bobet Hall Room 202
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

I. Attendance

- Dr. Karen Rosenbecker, Classical Studies
- Dr. Donald Hauber, Biology
- Dr. Kelly Frailing, Criminology and Justice
- Dr. Nathan Henne, Languages and Cultures
- Dr. Natasha Bingham, Political Science
- Dr. Tirthabir Biswas, Physics
- Dr. Robert Gnuse, Religious Studies
- Dr. Uriel Quesada, Associate Dean, CAS

Guest in Attendance

- Dr. Melanie Mckay
- Dr. Daniel Mintz
- Dr. Justin Nystrom

II. Motions

- A. **Magis Composition Enrichment Proposal.** The Committee postponed the approval on the proposal due to the following concerns.
 - There is not enough language on assessment.
 - The proposal does not have data on how successful the course has been as part of the Magis program.
- **B. Psychology of Trauma and Disaster Proposal.** The Committee postponed the approval on the proposal due to the following concerns.
 - Section III-B states that a part-time instructor would be needed for a class when Dr. Yurgil teaches Psychology of Trauma and Disaster. Can the course be offered if no funding for the parttime position is available?
 - The proposal does not include a section on assessment.

- **C. Food Studies Proposal.** The Committee postponed the approval on the proposal due to the following concerns.
 - o Financial sustainability of the program;
 - How will funding be secured for the first year of operation?
 - o Academic sustainability of the program;
 - 1 extraordinary full-time person is scheduled to teach up to 2 program core courses. It is undetermined if the instructor will be at Loyola in the long run.
 - 2 core courses do not have a full-time instructor.
 - There is only 1 faculty member who specializes in the field of Food Studies.
 - Concentration areas are not well defined;
 - Areas are very broad, for instance, Food Policy includes 27 possible courses.
 - The proposal has no clear emphasis.
 - The proposal lacks consistency and coherence.
 - The proposal need better structure.
 - Courses in the concentration areas have prerequisites that are not part of the concentration.
 - The Food Systems Capstone assessment tool is not mentioned in the proposal.