

District Technical Review Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 5, 2023	2:30-4:00pm	CAADO 209/Zoom
----------------------------------	-------------	----------------

Committee Members	Guests			
⊠ Steven Schmidt (Chair, MUS)	☐ Lijuan Zhai (AVC Ed Services and			
	Institutional Effectiveness, RCCD)			
 ⊠ Susan Mills (Co-Chair, VC Ed. Services) ⊠ Nick Sinigaglia (PHI, MOV)				
 ⊠ Kelly Douglass (ENG, RCC) ⊠ Bryan Medina (Staff, RCCD)				
☐ Brian Johnson (MAT, NOR)	⊠ Ellen Brown-Drinkwater (AO, RCC)			
☑ Ann Pfeifle (HIS, MVC)	⊠ Nick Franco (AO, NOR)			
☑ Jeanne Howard (AO, MVC)				
	☐ Sabina Fernandez (Staff, MVC)			
☐ Casandra Greene (Staff, RCC)				
	⊠ Nicole Brown (Staff, NOR)			
Additional Guests: Janet Lehr, Adviye Tolunay, Rakel Larson, Jesus Vela, Paul Van Hulle				

Zoom Information

https://rccd-edu.zoom.us/j/86555446612?pwd=R0dDakVkSzNZQitZZEN0Zm1TTIYvQT09

+1 669 900 6833 US Meeting ID: 865 5544 6612

Passcode: 627472

Call to Order: 2:33pm by Steven Schmidt

Agenda and Minutes

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: A. Pfeifle; Second: B. Johnson

Approved, Unanimous

2. Approval of Minutes – November 7, 2023

Motion: A. Pfeifle; Second: K. Douglass

Approved, Unanimous

3. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2023

Motion: K. Douglass; Second: B. Johnson

Approved, Unanimous

Action Items

1. Curriculum Proposals

Curriculum proposals will be reviewed, discussed, and considered for forwarding to the College Curriculum Committees.



Discussion Items and Public Comment

- 1. PSY/SOC-48 Units Update and Associated Programs
 - a. Kelly Douglass PSY/SOC faculty have proposed additional content. Once it is approved by the appropriate department, the courses can go through the curriculum approval process. If approved by the colleges, the courses can be held at DCC until the affected programs are also updated.
- 2. RCCD Courses without P/NP Option and CPL Articulation Officers
 - a. In the awarding of credit for prior learning, the district evaluators have found the following language in Title 5:
 - i. "Grading shall be according to the regular grading system approved by the governing board pursuant to section 55023, except that students shall be offered a "pass-no pass" option if that option is ordinarily available for the course."
 - b. Many courses that are being evaluated for credit for prior learning are letter grade only. Some disciplines have specific ways of awarding a specific grade for credit for prior learning, such as AUT. For other courses, a grade of P is being awarded. However, there are many courses that are letter grade only. What should the process be for awarding this credit?
 - c. Nick Franco Some colleges award a grade of A for credit for prior learning.
 - i. Ann Pfeifle This would not be appropriate.
 - d. Brian Johnson Is the system coded so that a P grade cannot be awarded?
 - i. Bryan Medina Yes. Courses that are letter grade only do not permit grades of P/NP.
 - e. Brian Johnson Who awards credit for prior learning?
 - i. Nick Franco The discipline.
 - f. Brian Johnson If the disciplines want to credit students for prior learning, the disciplines must have a P/NP option on the course outline. The disciplines should revise the course.
 - g. Ann Pfeifle What is the process for awarding credit for prior learning?
 - i. Ellen Brown-Drinkwater Students complete a form which is submitted to evaluations. Evaluations submits the form to faculty who determine if they will grant credit for prior learning.
 - h. Kelly Douglass Disciplines can award a grade if there is an objective method of awarding a grade. However, the awarding of grades cannot be subjective.
 - i. Steven Schmidt In Music Theory, for example, it would be possible to objectively evaluate a student and provide them with a letter grade.
 - i. Jeanne Howard What is the process for P/NP being added to a course?
 - i. Ann Pfeifle The option is assigned to individual courses as determined by the discipline. The faculty determine if they want that option.
 - ii. Steven Schmidt There may be ramifications for adding P/NP to a course. In performance or theory courses, students could be awarded credit for prior learning because they have had private lessons or have obtained experience some other way. However, we wouldn't want P/NP on the course because if they are transferring into a music major, they wouldn't receive the appropriate credit. P/NP grades also cannot be used for major courses. Disciplines that want CPL should be alerted to the situation and the ramifications. Additionally, there does not appear to be an area in the form to indicate a grade.
 - j. This topic will be agendized for the next meeting and the district evaluators will be asked to attend to provide additional information.



- 3. Completing Form Fields (Example: DE) Steven Schmidt
 - a. This topic was previously discussed.
- 4. Other Ways to List Minutes and Approval in Curriqunet Kelly Douglass
 - a. The committee discussed other ways to indicate votes of approval in Curriqunet Meta. One idea proposed was to update the form within Curriqunet to include an area for votes of approval. Another suggestion was a paper form that the originator completes indicating vote totals from each appropriate college discipline and/or department. The form can be uploaded along with any minutes to Curriqunet. A link to the form can also be added to the Curriqunet form.
 - b. Bryan Medina will draft a form and bring it to the next meeting.
 - c. Data elements should include discipline votes by college, originating department votes, the venue in which the vote took place (e-mail, meeting etc.), date of vote. Based on the subsequent discussion below, evidence of honors council approval should also be included for new honors courses.
- 5. New Course Required Evidence Nick Sinigaglia
 - a. When new courses are created, only the originating department is required to approve instead of the department from any college offering the course. It appears that it is more difficult to include a course into a college catalog than to be added to a course when it is initially created. Should the department from every college be asked for a vote of approval?
 - b. Brian Johnson When launching a new course, originators should not select any additional colleges if they have not had input from those colleges. Additionally, this process has been in place for quite some time without any issue. Requiring all departments to vote could slow down the approval process. Additionally, the departments and disciplines all can review any items launched in Meta. Everyone has the opportunity to provide input.
 - c. Kelly Douglass Was there a particular issue with a department voted against a course inclusion?
 - i. Nick Sinigaglia No.
 - ii. Kelly Douglass Perhaps the discipline/department vote process remains unchanged for now.
 - d. Nick Sinigaglia When new honors courses are created, we would like the honors council to be involved from the conception of the course. Recently, new honors courses were launched in Meta, but the first time the MOV honors council heard about the course was when they were asked to approve it in Meta.
 - i. Brian Johnson Does the honors council have any kind of veto? Are they advisory, or can the discipline move forward with the course regardless of the honors council's opinion?
 - ii. Kelly Douglass They do not have a curriculum veto, but they do have a programmatic veto.
 - iii. Ann Pfeifle Prior to the colleges being split, approval by the honors council was required. If the honors council did not approve, the proposal stopped.
 - iv. Kelly Douglass Then that evidence should be required at the launch of a new course.
 - v. Nick Sinigaglia The honors council language may need to be updated in the handbook to reflect this.
- 6. Clarifying Discipline Membership for Curriculum Processes Kelly Douglass
 - a. Who are the members of a discipline? When ETS was originally created and we had no



- ETS faculty formally hired, we had a number of faculty with secondary FSA draft the coursework for the discipline. Now, the district has formally hired ETS faculty. Who is responsible for stewarding the courses?
- b. Kelly Douglass According to the contract, faculty are hired into a discipline under an approved FSA. If you receive a second FSA, you were not hired by discipline experts into that position. Additionally, each faculty member is assigned to a discipline in a department. Some faculty with secondary FSAs in Ethnic Studies are assigned to a department that does not house ETS. Additionally, we are evaluated by department and discipline subject matter experts. Teaching assignments are also based on discipline. Those with secondary FSAs may be invited to contribute to curriculum, but they do not steward courses.
 - i. Brian Johnson and Ann Pfeifle agreed.
- c. Ann Pfeifle Is there a concern regarding equivalency committees? Currently, we have four ETS faculty who are non-tenured who are being asked to make decisions about equivalencies. This is a concern.
- d. Susan Mills Is this a topic that should be brought to Senate?
- e. Nick Sinigaglia There could also be a concern about a faculty member obtaining a secondary FSA and then being tasked with additional duties.
 - i. Kelly Douglass Especially when you do not have a primary right to the courses in the secondary FSA. The faculty members hired into the discipline will always have priority.
- f. Felipe Galicia Faculty with secondary FSAs can be asked to contribute, but the hired faculty get to vote.
- 7. Open Forum
 - a. None
- 8. Public Comment for all items on or not otherwise on the agenda.
 - a. None

Adjournment: 4:27pm

Technical Review Notes Proposals and Notes for 12/05/2023

Courses						
Course Dele	<u>tions</u>	MNR	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle
CIS 28A Awaiting MOV	MS Access Programming / Computer Applications Program.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
CSC 28A Awaiting MOV	MS Access Programming / Computer Applications Program.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
SPA 3N In the RCC SPA	Spanish for Spanish Speakers A ADT.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
Course Exclu	<u>usions</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
ADJ 31 Minutes do no	Cybercrime & Digital Forensics ot show a vote to exclude. Course is found in ADJ ADT.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
Course Inclu	<u>isions</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
ADJ 21	Control & Supervision in Corrections		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
ADJ 22	Legal Aspects of Corrections		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
ADJ 25	Introduction to Probation and Parole		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
Course Majo	or Modifications	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
AIR 200 Course will be	Air Conditioning Work Experience returned to draft for further development.		Return to Draft	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Introduction to Entrepreneurship ninutes, approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an ny content for the SLO.	equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Entrepreneurship Basics ninutes, approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added ar ny content for the SLO.	equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Starting a Business with Limited Resources minutes, approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an ny content for the SLO.	vvv vn equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ

Courses						
Course Major Mo	difications	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
	cebook for Business approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an enternation of the SLO.	vvv equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	nterest and Instagram for Business approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an e ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	uTube for Business approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an e ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	vitter for Business approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an e ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	nkedIn for Business approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	troduction to Entrepreneurship approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an e ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	trepreneurship Basics approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	arting a Business with Limited Resources a approved as Minor Mods by Norco only. Added an e ent for the SLO.	✓ ✓ ✓ equity of	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	ergy Systems Technology Work Experience ed to draft for further development.		Return to Draft	Υ	Υ	Υ
An addendum has be	atistics for the Behavioral Sciences en developed by SOC and PSY and they are seeking d ill expand the content specifically regarding the tech urse.	•	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
An addendum has be	entistics for the Behavioral Sciences en developed by SOC and PSY and they are seeking d ill expand the content specifically regarding the tech urse.	•	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
Course Minor Mo	<u>odifications</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
ARA 11 Ar	abic Culture and Civilization		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
ARA 11H Ho	onors Arabic Culture and Civilization		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ

ourco Min	or Modifications		Action	D	_	
ourse wiin	or Modifications	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
ARA 3	Arabic 3		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
ASL 3	American Sign Language 3		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
CIS 54A No objectives	Introduction to Animate , this course needs to be relaunched as a major mod.	V V	Return to Draft	Υ	Υ	Υ
ETS 13	Survey of Black Thought	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
MAT 32 Methods of in	Introduction to Symbolic Logic struction do not match cross listed counter part.	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 10	Introduction to Philosophy	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 10H	Honors Introduction to Philosophy	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
language like problematic for of CORs to avoid update is only	Introduction to Ethics ance ed in methods of instructions. We may be able to allow this in the future as every course has a Canvas shell. Howeve or anything related to articulation? Historically this has been old problems with articulation. Content is only one level, but to textbooks. The one-level of content was not caught on the We have admitted mistakes with minor mods in the past.	er, is this kept out this	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 14 Refers to dista	Survey of Black Thought ance ed in methods of instructions.		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 19 Refers to dista	Native American Thought ance ed in methods of instructions.		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 22 Refers to dista	Philosophy of Science ance ed in methods of instructions.	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 32 Methods of in	Introduction to Symbolic Logic struction do not match cross listed counter part.		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 33 Refers to dista	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy ance ed in methods of instructions.		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 34	Philosophical Survey of Sex, Gender, and Sexuality		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHI 35	Philosophy of Religion	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
РНІ 36	Asian Philosophy	V V	Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
ew Course	<u>es</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
AHS 60	Special Topics in Art & Visual Culture repeatability. Unclear how AHS 60 is different from ART 4 ar	□ 🗸 🗆 nd 6. No	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ

Y = "Yea" N = "Nay" A = Abstained Blank = Absent for Vote Technical Review Notes 12/05/2023

Courses						
New Courses		MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
AHS 61 Needs clarity on	Directed Study in Art & Visual Culture how this is different from an independent study course		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
PSY 60 Board Policy is cu	Independent Study in Psychology urrently with legal waiting to go to the faculty association	✓ ✓ ✓ on.	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
General Edu	cation					
General Educa	ation Modifications	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
	Foundations of Data Science ted with CIS 70A, which would also need to come forwall work with faculty.	✔ ✔ ward for	Hold	Y	Υ	Υ
Programs						
New Program	<u>s</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
Certificate SCA Catalog descripti SCA-10 need to k	Automation Technician I on cannot reference associate degree. Unit values for Society verified.	☐ 🗹 ☐ CA-1 and	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Automation Technician II on cannot reference associate degree. Unit values for Society verified.	☐ 🗹 ☐ CA-1 and	Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
SCA Catalog descripti	Automation Technician III on cannot reference associate degree.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ
Degree ENP	Entrepreneurship		Approved	Υ	Υ	Υ
PHY Returning to draf	Pre-Engineering ft for further development.		Return to Draft	Υ	Υ	Υ
Program Mod	<u>ifications</u>	MNR	Action	Douglass	Johnson	Pfeifle
Certificate HMS Holding to clarify	Drug and Alcohol Studies WKX/HMS-200.		Hold	Υ	Υ	Υ