

Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2009
LRC-201

Present: Sonja Barnes, Frances Cade, Ann Clark, Judy Gerhart, Mike Martin, Bo Myers, Jim Niessner, Marlys Palmer and Judy Peisen. Absent: LuAnn Fisher, Sean Maher, and Judy Oleks. Guests in attendance: Jeff Morgan, Louise Wine, Angie Stoops and Austin Rinker

Announcement: The Committee congratulated Jim Niessner on his promotion to Assistant Professor. There were no changes to the Curriculum Committee members for 2009-2010.

Item 1. Pre-requisite changes to ADJ-201, ADJ-208 and ADJ-209. J. Morgan addressed the proposed changes to these ADJ courses. Students taking these courses need more instruction in the basic courses. Instructor surveys the class on their understanding of basic course material and discovers some of the students need to have the basic material (above ADJ-101) explained to them. The sequencing of courses, by appropriate pre-requisites, will allow for better instruction and better student success. The Committee supports the proposed changes to pre-requisites for ADJ-201, ADJ-208 and ADJ-209.

Item 2. New Course Proposal: EDU-215. L. Wine addressed the new course proposal for Child Care Center Administration & Management EDU-215. MSDE has implemented new guidelines for Child Care Center Directors. The new requirement is a course in Child Care Center Administration & Management. Originally thought the course would be offered as part of Continuing Education, but MSDE now requires a credit course. Who is the targeted population to take this class? Any current Director will be the students. Will it be part of any HCC programs? It is intended to be part of the AAS program in Early Childhood and Primary Grades Education. The Committee has not received any program modifications at this time. What are the pre-requisites on this course – specific level of ENG and MAT? How will you limit enrollment in this course to EDU students or those directors seeking re-certification? Further review/discussion was tabled to the October meeting.

Item 3. Modifications to the Certificate in Paramedic Services. The proposal seeks alignment of the current Certificate and the Certificate for the EMT-I to EMT-P bridge. The alignment consists of both certificates requiring PES-110 Paramedic Emergency Services for EMS Providers (4 credits) and removing the BIO-103 and BIO-104 courses from the certificate. The faculty members of the Science division were not in support of this proposal. The material covered in BIO-103/4 is more comprehensive than PES-110. What does the Paramedic need to know? The basic life stabilizing/support anatomy topics are most critical and these are covered in PES-110. It was suggested that the A&P faculty meet with Austin Rinker, Angie Stoops and Mike Martin for further discussion. Further review/discussion was tabled to the October meeting.

Item 4. Modifications to the AAS Degree in Paramedic Services. This proposal seeks to add a Restricted Elective Option to the Degree. The option would allow the student to take one of the following courses: PES-110 or SPD-103. Students will still be required to take BIO-103/4

sequence as the General Education Science course requirements. The Committee supports the proposed changes to the AAS degree in Paramedic Services.

ITEM 5. New Course Proposal: HEA-205. M. Palmer addressed the new Sport First Aid and CPR course. This course will provide student sport-specific content beyond the basic First Aid. Will the course transfer to other institutions? The Committee supports the proposed new course HEA-205.

Judy Gerhart distributed a list of current HCC courses which have had their pre-requisites changed to include the appropriate level ESL course as meeting the pre-requisites. Also distributed was the Curriculum Committee Timeline submitted to Academic Officers.

2009-2010 Assignments listing was reviewed.

It was noted that Item 1 was started during the last session. Perhaps a meeting with Kevin Jackson/Johnson at North High and meet with Dan Bock for update from other Maryland Community Colleges on how they accept IB coursework.

The Committee would like clarification of Item 4.