

## **CELS Curriculum Committee Minutes – January 16<sup>th</sup>**

### Updates:

Minutes from our last face-to-face meeting on October 4<sup>th</sup> were approved by email so they could be posted on the CELS website prior to the CELS faculty meeting.

Committee meetings scheduled in November and December were cancelled due to lack of business.

One proposal was approved electronically since the October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. EVS 540X, Exploring the Dimensions of Corporate Responsibility, was approved on 10/18 and published in the temporary course newsletter on 10/31.

Review the status of the CELS proposals.

Action: The committee discussed the review of LAR 444 and 445 by the Graduate Council. It is clear that the CELS curriculum committee needs clarification from CELS on how to handle courses taught simultaneously at the undergraduate and graduate level. A draft of a policy was created by email and will be discussed at the next meeting.

### Agenda:

1. Determine meeting dates for the spring semester (Fridays at 1:00 still work?)

Recommend: February 14<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, and April 11<sup>th</sup>

Action: The committee will meet on February 14 and April 11 from 2-2:50. Two committee members could not meet on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Cathy surveyed members via email and the best date for the March meeting is Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> (again 2-2:50).

2. BIO 498 – Teaching Practicum in Biological Sciences – approval of a new course

Action: Approved with 1) changes to the course proposal form: add abbreviated title, change course credits to 1 Practicum 1 Workshop, complete Intended Date, complete maximum class size, and remove the word 'qualified' from the course description; 2) changes to the syllabus: change date on syllabus to Fall 2014, rewrite lab topic on April 17, and include current assessment rubrics for participation.

EEC 205 – Resource Management and Conservation - change in title and description

Action: Approved with Jim Opaluch's name added to the proposal.

EEC 310 – Economics for Environmental Resource Management and Policy - change in title and description

Action: Approved with the following changes to the syllabus: 1) add student learning outcomes, 2) minor typographical errors, 3) revise course outline

GEO 512 – Seismology – approval of a new course

Action: Approved with the following changes: 1) on the proposal form change of prerequisite to 'permission of instructor' and the addition of commas to the last sentence of the course description; and 2) on the syllabus correction of minor typographical errors.