

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA  
Undergraduate Council  
Minutes of January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Present: Michael LeVan (Chair), Jay Coble , Ken Christensen, Kay Perrin, Chad Michaels, Erwin Johanningmeier, Brianne Stanback, Jennifer Bosson, Thomas Pluckhan, Matrell Everett

Absent: Laura Gonzalez (excused)

Guests/Ex Officio: Janet Moore (UGS), Michael Kanning (UGS)

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm.

1. The minutes of November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 were approved.
2. Announcements
  - x New members Thomas Pluckhan (CAS), Jennifer Bosson (CAS) and Brianne Stanback (BCS) were introduced.
3. Old Business
  - a) ChT(O)-7ay seapproved by the council.
4. New Business
  - a) Syllabus language – The following language was drafted and approved for inclusion in the next Undergraduate Catalog.
    - o (pg. 41) “A syllabus of instruction for each course is available at the beginning of each term. Among the items communicated are course requirements, materials, and objectives; expected learning outcomes; and a general grading scale. The syllabus is subject to revision due to various exigencies or to better facilitate instruction, and will not include unreasonable additions to the workload described in the original syllabus. Contents of the syllabus are subject to change with reasonable notice.”
  - b) Catalog additions for violations of Professional and Ethical Standards - The following changes and additions were drafted and approved for inclusion in the next Undergraduate Catalog. Added or amended language is in

- o The Academic Integrity policy (pg. 64) will be amended to clearly include violations of ethical/professional standard in clinical or field-based programs as an example of a violation of Academic Integrity. It will be made clear that an “FF” grade could be awarded for such violations.

#### 4. Course/curriculum proposals

##### a) New course proposals

- i. CHT3240 – Advanced Chinese Conversation I - CHI3240 is the first of a two-course sequence in advanced spoken Mandarin Chinese at the third-year level. Particular emphasis is placed on student performance in commonly encountered contexts in Chinese culture, both formal and informal. Course was approved.
- ii. CHT3241 – Advanced Chinese Conversation II - CHI3241 is the second of a two-course sequence in advanced spoken Mandarin Chinese at the third-year level. Particular emphasis is placed on student performance in commonly encountered contexts in Chinese culture, both formal and informal. Course was approved .
- iii. EEC4604 – Classroom Management and Guidance of Young Children - This course for early childhood education majors explores the current knowledge of guidance procedures and techniques for managing classrooms for children ages 3 to 8 years old. Course was approved with one abstention.
- iv. SYD4238 – Immigrants to America - Examines major sociological debates in the field of immigration with an emphasis on recent immigrants to the United States. Course was approved .
- v. SYO4534 – Poverty and Society - Explores poverty by looking at the United States and selected less developed countries around the world. Utilizing sociological theories of poverty, different aspects of poverty will be explored. Course was approved .

##### b) Substantive Changes

- i. HUM3331 – Humanities Proseminar – Course requests change to 4xxx level to better reflect its place in the Humanities Major sequence.
- ii. PGY3001 – Photography in American Culture – Title changed to “Photography and American Society” and requests renumbering to AMS4305 to better reflect its place in the Humanities Major.

##### c) Curriculum proposals

- i. Early Childhood Education Major changes – Changes replace TSL4081 – ESOL II Literacy Development in English Language Learners with new course, EEC4604 – Classroom Management and Guidance of Young Children, in the EEC degree program. Changes were approved with one abstention. Council member Johanningmeier abstained from voting due to uncertainty that the material covered in the ESOL course being removed would be adequately covered in the revised curriculum.

#### 5. Review Assignments

- i. CHT 3103 – Traditional Ch