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Curriculum Committee Minutes

Wednesday, October 15, 2025, 3:00 p.m.
Drescher Hall, Loft (3rd Floor, Room 300-E)
Zoom (guests/members of the public)

Members Present:

Redelia Shaw, <i>Chair</i>	Susan Caggiano	Justice Isaacs	Scott Silverman
Dione Hodges, <i>Vice Chair</i>	Evelyn Chantani	Jesus Lopez	Bobby Simmons
Lourdes Arévalo	Rachel Demski	Walt Louie	Briana Simmons
Fariba Bolandhemat	Walker Griffy	Jacqueline Monge	Thaddeus Phillips*
Walter Butler	Bryan Hartanto (A.S.)	Kevin Roberts	Audra Wells

**Thaddeus Phillips sitting in for Susan Fila*

Members Absent:

Jason Beardsley	Catherine Haradon*	Sharlene Joachim*	Olivia Vallejo
Susan Fila	Aileen Huang*	Lydia Strong*	

**Attended via Zoom – voting members of the committee unable to attend in-person may join as a guest on zoom but cannot move or vote on action items.*

Others Present:

Clare Battista	Christina Gabler	Jennifer Hsieh	Eric Oifer
Sang Chi	Keith Graziadei		

(Information items are listed numerically; action items are listed alphabetically)

I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 pm. Motion to approve the agenda with revisions to table all Aquaculture course revisions and programs (VII. Action Items. e. AQUA 1, f. AQUA 2, g. AQUA 3, h. AQUA 4, i. AQUA 5, k. MCRBIO 1, m. Sustainable Aquaculture Technology AS, n. Aquaculture Technician I Certificate of Achievement, and o. Aquaculture Technician II Certificate of Achievement.)

Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Audra Wells

The motion passed unanimously.

II. Public Comments

None

III. Announcements

- Dione Hodges: At the next meeting, Jason Beardsley will be presenting the next “Curriculum Highlight” training, focused on SLOs and course objectives. We’d like to prioritize alignment this year between discipline faculty, the tech review team and the curriculum committee to ensure communication and transparency on curricular expectations.
- Aileen Huang: We have a study abroad program for Winter 2026 in Madrid, Spain. It’s a collaboration between Art History and Business – Aileen and Taneka Washington are the faculty co-leads. There are only have five seats left (from 24 spots.) If you can, promote the program to your students (in Canvas or via flyers). More information is available at smc.edu/studyabroad

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of October 1, 2025 with no revisions.

Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Susan Caggiano

The motion passed with the following: Y: 16; N: 0; A: 1 (Bobby Simmons)

V. Chair's Report

A moment of silence in remembrance of Felicia Hudson.

We'll be providing discussions, trainings, and working as a committee to come up with guidelines on course objectives and student learning outcomes, while understanding the needs of specific disciplines. We want to be congruent and clear on the feedback we provide, especially as we begin integrating IDEAAS across our course outlines.

VI. Information Items

1. Common Course Numbering (CCN) Updates – Susan Caggiano

- After today's meeting, we'll be done with Phase II(A)!
- In the Spring, faculty will be reconvening to discuss and possibly revise Phase I courses.
- Phase II(B) has approximately 15 course templates, which are available in the curriculum shell – reps are encouraged to work with their departments to get an early start on the changes. Reminder: if you have any questions, need any help or assistance, reach out to Susan.
- Phase III is an additional 40-50 templates, that will be made available in February 2026. However, both Phase II(B) and Phase III are due for implementation by Fall 2027.
- The ASCCC, Chancellor's Office, UCs, and CSUs are in discussion regarding articulation approval by template vs. by individual course. However, for Phase III the UC/Cal-GETC approval process will not have the "exception" granted to Phases I and II that allowed for Cal-GETC approval before UC submission/approval. Phase III courses will go through the "regular" approval timeline – where courses can only be submitted for UC review/approval in June, and Cal-GETC review/approval in December, only once UC approval has already been granted. Due to this change, all Phase III templates will need to be approved locally by April 2026.
- Phase IV courses will be announced in the spring, but they are not part of the legislative deadline of Fall 2027. We will get additional guidance from the Chancellor's Office. They are also strongly encouraging colleges to use the CCN taxonomy (prefixes and course numbering without the "C") for all local/non-CCN courses.

VII. Action Items

(Courses: Common Course Numbering)

a. ECON C2001 Principles of Microeconomics

Motion to approve changes to ECON C2001 with no additional revisions.

Motion made by: Susan Caggiano; **Seconded by:** Bobby Simmons

The motion passed unanimously.

b. ECON C2002 Principles of Macroeconomics

Motion to approve changes to ECON C2002 with no additional revisions.

Motion made by: Susan Caggiano; **Seconded by:** Dione Hodges

The motion passed unanimously.

c. HIST C1001 United States History to 1877 (formerly HIST 11)

Motion to approve changes to HIST C1001 with no additional revisions.

Motion made by: Jesus Lopez; **Seconded by:** Walt Louie

The motion passed unanimously.

- d. HIST C1002 United States History since 1865 (*formerly HIST 12*)
Motion to approve changes to HIST C1002 with no additional revisions.
Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Susan Caggiano
The motion passed unanimously.

Common Course Numbering requires identical language in the following fields, from the Common Course Numbering templates: prefix, course number, course title, course description, units, prerequisites/corequisites/advisories, course content, course objectives/outcomes, methods of evaluation, and textbooks. Optional additional language is indicated by an asterisk where applicable. Fields that are not included in the template (such as Methods of Presentation, Sample Assignments, etc.) do not currently have requirements and are at the discretion of the department.

(Courses: Substantial Changes)

- e. ~~AQUA 1 Introduction to Aquaculture: History, Ecology and Sustainability~~
 • ~~Changed: SLOs, course objectives~~
- f. ~~AQUA 2 Applications in Aquaculture—System Design, Monitoring and Maintenance~~
 • ~~Changed: SLOs, course objectives, sample assignments~~
- g. ~~AQUA 3 Microbiology and Genetics for Aquaculture~~
 • ~~Changed: SLO, objectives~~
- h. ~~AQUA 4 Husbandry and Life Support in Aquaculture and Aquarium Science~~
 • ~~Changed: SLO, objectives~~
- i. ~~AQUA 5 Advanced Topics in Aquaculture~~
 • ~~Changed: SLO, objectives~~
 AQUA 1, AQUA 2, AQUA 3, AQUA 4, AQUA 5 tabled with the approval of the agenda
- j. ESL 14B Pronunciation: Rhythm and Intonation
 • Changed: SLOs, course content, methods of evaluation, textbooks, sample assignments
 • Changed prerequisite: from: ESL 10G and ESL 10W or placement in ESL 11A
 to: ESL 10G or ESL 10W or placement in ESL 11A
Motion to approve changes to ESL 14B with no additional revisions.
Motion made by: Susan Caggiano; **Seconded by:** Dione Hodges
The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve prerequisite changes to ESL 14B with no additional revisions.

Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Susan Caggiano
The motion passed unanimously.

- k. ~~MCRBIO 1 Fundamentals of Microbiology~~
 • ~~Changed: lab content~~
 • ~~Added Prerequisite: AQUA 3~~
 MCRBIO 1 tabled with the approval of the agenda

(Programs: New)

- l. Physics AS-T
Motion to approve Physics AS-T with additional revision to the “Programming” elective list to add additional electives to CS 55 of CS 30 or CS 52 or CS 87A under the AAM (Articulation Agreement by Major): CS 30 – UC Irvine, CS 52 – CSUN, CS 87A – Cal Poly Pomona
Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Bobby Simmons
The motion passed unanimously.

- m. ~~Sustainable Aquaculture Technology AS~~
 Sustainable Aquaculture Technology AS tabled with the approval of the agenda

(Programs: Change)

- n. ~~Aquaculture Technician I Certificate of Achievement~~

Changed:

- ~~Required Courses: Added elective options for AQUA 88B (AQUA 90A or 90B or 90C or 88B)~~
- ~~Scuba Diving/First Aid Course: Added elective option of HEALTH 11 and note regarding certifications: "Note: AQUA 10 or industry equivalent. Credit for prior learning may be granted for students who hold recognized industry certifications. Acceptable documentation includes: NAUI Master Diver or equivalent; or NAUI Advanced Diver plus Rescue Diver certifications; or any dive certification combined with AAUS certification or equivalent; or First Aid/CPR certification equivalent to those issued by the American Heart Association, Red Cross, or comparable agencies. Please contact the life sciences department or counseling for more information."~~

~~e. Aquaculture Technician II Certificate of Achievement~~

- ~~Changed: program description, PLOs, mapped SLOs to PLOs~~

~~Aquaculture Technician I Certificate of Achievement and Aquaculture Technician II Certificate of Achievement tabled with the approval of the agenda~~

(Programs: Revisions)

- p. Changes to degrees, certificates, and program maps as a result of courses considered on this agenda
Motion to approve changes to degrees, certificates, and program maps as a result of courses considered on this agenda.

Motion made by: Scott Silverman; **Seconded by:** Susan Caggiano

The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. New Business

- Student Learning Outcomes and Course Objectives
Discussion on SLOs and course objectives will be an ongoing project for the curriculum committee for 25-26 to ensure alignment, including creating guidance materials.

IX. Old Business

None

X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:47 pm

Motion made by: Susan Caggiano; **Seconded by:** Bobby Simmons

The motion passed unanimously.