CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting  
November 9, 2007  
Submitted by James Fant

Members: Lokenga Badinga, George Blakeslee, Marc Branham, Raghavan Charudattan, Jerry Culen, Rebecca Darnell, Lisa House, Stephen Humphrey, Anne Kendall, Julie Maupin, Mike Moulton, Debra Murie, Andrew Ogram, Wendell Porter, Mark Rieger (ex-officio), Elaine Turner (ex-officio), Wilfred Vermerris, Emily Wald (student), Shannon Washburn, Christy Windham (student) and Sandy Wilson

Members Present: L. Badinga, G. Blakeslee, M. Branham, J. Culen, R. Darnell, L. House, S. Humphrey, A. Kendall, J. Maupin, M. Moulton, W. Porter, W. Vermerris, E. Wald, S. Washburn (Committee Chair), S. Wilson, C. Windham, E. Turner (ex-officio) and M. Rieger (ex-officio)

Visitor: Dr. William Lindberg

Call to Order: The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Curriculum Committee met on November 9, 2007 in McCarty D Room 1031. Dr. Shannon Washburn called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the October 12, 2007 CALS CC meeting were approved with a change. The committee has decided it would like to be informed of the updates made to the previous submission for AGR6311. No updates have been received.

Graduate - New Course Proposals

1. EVR5XXX – Scientific Processes in Conservation and Development
This course proposal was approved by the committee with some updates requested. Since class participation is major portion of the grading criteria the committee encouraged the inclusion of an attendance policy and greater detail of the participation requirement. An updated syllabus was received and forwarded to the Graduate Curriculum Committee for university and state approval.

Items 2 thru 6 all had similar issues and will be noted together.
MCB6XXX – Microbial Metabolism and Energetics
MCB6XXX – Metabolic Regulation
MCB6XXX – Microbial Defense
MCB6XXX – Mining Genomic Databases
MCB6XXX – Microbial Metabolic Engineering
All five items were approved by the committee with minor adjustments recommended and will be forwarded to the GCC when the updates are received. For all five submissions a D+ needs to be added to the grading scale and the learning objectives need to be more user-oriented. Also, each syllabus needs the most updated version of the boilerplate containing the statement on academic honesty.

It was suggested that there should be a week 5 in the course schedule for Metabolic Regulation.

A full reference, including a publication date, was requested for the textbook section of the syllabus for Mining Genomic Databases.

**Graduate – Course Change Proposal**

7. FAS5901 – Aquatic Research and Science (title change to: Scientific Thinking in Ecology)  
This proposal was approved by the committee with the following edits. The committee suggested including a make-up policy in the syllabus, minus grades need to be removed from the grading scale and the prerequisite section of the UCC2 form should include a statement requiring a course in ecology. Also, the syllabus needs to include the most recent version of the boilerplate including the policy on academic honesty. An updated submission was received and forwarded to the GCC for university and state approval.

**Undergraduate – New Course Proposals**

8. ENY3XXXC – Turf and Ornamental Entomology  
This proposal was approved by the committee pending the following modifications. It was suggested that a change in wording to “Biology, identification and management of arthropods…” in the course description would be more appropriate (identification would replace diagnosis). This change would need to be on both the UCC1 and syllabus. ENY3XXXC needs to be used consistently throughout the submission. On the syllabus, the instructor’s office hours need to be clarified, the course description needs to be separated from the objectives, the objectives need to be more user-oriented and there needs to be clarification as to whether the Potter text is required or recommended. Also, the most recent version of the boilerplate containing the statement on academic honesty needs to be included. An updated proposal has been received and forwarded to the University Curriculum Committee for university and state approval.

9. AEE4XXX – Communication and Leadership Development Capstone Experience  
This new course proposal was approved with minimal updates needed. A section of the course schedule was missing, weeks 1-8, and needs to be included. The most updated version of the boilerplate containing the statement on academic honesty needs to be included. The updates have been received and the submission has been forwarded to the UCC for university and state approval.
Undergraduate – Course Change Proposals

10. HUN4445 – Nutrition and Disease Part 1
This course change was approved by the committee with one minor update requested. The syllabus needs to include the most recent version of the boilerplate containing the statement on academic honesty. An amended version has been received and has been forwarded to the UCC for university and state approval.

11. WIS4554 – Conservation Biology
This submission was tabled for reconsideration at the December 7th meeting.

Proposed Curriculum Changes

12. Proposal to change the name of the minor Turfgrass Science to Golf and Sports Turf Management
This curriculum change was approved by the committee and forwarded to the UCC for university and state approval.

13. Proposal to make a change in Communication and Leadership Development
This curriculum change was approved by the committee and forwarded to the UCC for university and state approval.

14. Proposal to make changes to Extension Education specialization
This proposal was submitted with parts as follows:

   a. Discontinue the Extension Education specialization at the undergraduate level.
   b. Revise the Extension Education minor.
   c. Make the Extension Education internship variable credit.

The proposals to discontinue the specialization at the undergraduate level and revise the minor were both approved and submitted to the UCC for university and state approval.

The proposal to make the internship variable credit was tabled for addition research on the awarding of internship credit.

Conclusion

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm