CALS Curriculum Committee Meeting
April 22, 2011
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Call to Order: The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Curriculum Committee met on April 22, 2011 in Rm. 101 of the Aquatic Products Lab. Dr. Wendell Porter called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

Previous agenda items and supporting material can be found on the CALS Curriculum Committee homepage under archived information:
http://www.cals.ufl.edu/faculty_staff/curriculum_committee.shtml

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Dr. Humphrey to approve the minutes for the March 18, 2011 meeting of the CALS CC. The motion was approved.

All items approved by the committee will be forwarded to either the Graduate Curriculum Committee (GCC), Graduate Council (GC) or the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) once any changes requested are made and the submission is complete.

Syllabus Statements – http://www.cals.ufl.edu/faculty_staff/curriculum_committee.shtml

Graduate New Course Proposals

1. AEC5228 – Teaching in Agricultural Education Laboratory Facilities
   A motion was made by Dr. Guy to approve this item with edits requested. The motion was approved. The department code needs to be included on the UCC1 form. The course description needs to be edited for content. The most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate needs to be included on the syllabus. There is concern that the same text is required for multiple courses. A supplemental reading list may help to differentiate the courses. Once the item has been updated it will be forwarded to the GCC.

2. AEC5323 – Philosophy and Development of Agricultural Education
   A motion was made by Dr. Gutter to approve this item with edits requested. The motion was approved. The department code needs to be included on the UCC1 form. The most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate needs to be included in the syllabus. See comment on AEC 5228 regarding text and supplemental readings.

3. AEC6206 – Advanced Curriculum and Teaching Methods
   A motion was made by Dr. Guy to approve this item with additional information and edits required. The motion was approved. The committee requests a letter of support from the
College of Education assuring no crossover in content. The department code needs to be included on the UCC1 form. The committee would also like to see the course material more directed towards agricultural and life sciences. Given that the title is “Advanced Curriculum and Teaching Methods” a prerequisite seems appropriate. The syllabus needs the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate.

4. AEC6862 – The Land Grant University and University Governance
   A motion was made by Dr. Gutter to approve this item with edits requested. The motion was approved. The department code needs to be included on the UCC1 form. The committee asks if there is a more up to date text that can be required. A reading list that would include current literature needs to be included in the syllabus. Assignments need to have percentage values assigned relative to the grading scale. The link to the Registrar’s website regarding grading policies needs to be included with the grading scale. The syllabus also needs the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate.

5. ENY5XXX – Advanced Apiculture
   It was decided to review this item along with item #10 on the agenda: ENY3XXX – Beekeeping. A motion was made by Dr. Giuliano to approve these items with a request for consideration by the department and a minor edit requested. The motion was approved. The committee would like the department to consider changing ENY3XXX to ENY4XXX due to the courses being co-taught. The syllabus for both submissions needs to include the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate.

6. FYC6112 – Military Families in the Community Context
   A motion was made by Dr. Badinga to approve this item with edits requested. The motion was approved. Course title needs to be corrected on UCC1 form. A suggested edit to the course description is to delete the phrase “This course will provide.” The link to the Registrar’s website concerning grades needs to be included with the grading scale in the syllabus. The most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate also needs to be included. Change the College Contact on the UCC1 form to Elaine Turner, transfer support letter information to the External Consultations form located at https://approval.ufl.edu/processes/41/add_request and complete the Syllabus Checklist (check the boxes after verifying that all elements are present).

**Graduate Course Change Proposals**

7. AEC5206 – Instructional Techniques in Agricultural and Life Sciences
   A motion was made by David Barber to return this item to the department for further consideration. The motion was approved. The committee requests approval from the College of Education concerning content overlap. The department name and code need to be included on the UCC1 form. The form should also include the old course description and rationale for the change. There is concern that the lecture topics don’t show relevance to Agricultural and Life Sciences.

8. ENY6706 – Forensic Entomology
   It was decided to review this item along with item #14 on the agenda: ENY4701 – Forensic Entomology. A motion was made by Dr. Gutter to approve both submissions with
clarification requested. The motion was approved. The point systems on both syllabi need to total correctly or be redesigned to reflect intent.

**Undergraduate New Course Proposals**

9. **ALS2XXX – Bioterrorism**
   A motion was made by Dr. Giuliano to approve this item with a minor edit requested. The motion was approved. The “E” grade range on the grading scale needs to be changed to <420 points.

10. **ENY3XXX – Beekeeping**
    See item #5.

11. **MCB2XXX – Programming for Biologists**
    A motion was made by Dr. Giuliano to approve this item with a minor edit requested. The motion was approved. The syllabus needs to include the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate.

12. **WIS2XXX – Wildlife Ecology and Conservation Colloquium**
    To be considered as part of WIE grouping. See #15

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13. **AEC3033C – Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences**
    A motion was made by Dr. Blakeslee to approve this item as submitted. The motion was approved.

14. **ENY4701 – Forensic Entomology**
    See item #8.

15. **WIS3403C – Perspectives in Wildlife Ecology and Conservation**
    It was decided to review this item as a package with all other WIS submissions, including the change to the degree program and ALC. A motion was made by Dr. Humphrey to approve all items with minor edits requested. This motion was approved. **WIS2XXX – Wildlife Ecology and Conservation Colloquium – no changes requested. WIS3403C – Perspectives in Wildlife Ecology and Conservation – no changes requested. WIS3553 – Introduction to Conservation Genetics – please put parentheses around “or” options listed in the prerequisite section of the UCC2 form for clarity and include the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate in the syllabus. WIS4203C – Landscape Ecology and Conservation – please put parentheses around “or” option listed in the prerequisite section of the UCC2 form for clarity and include the most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate in the syllabus. WIS4945C – Wildlife Techniques – There should be a change in contact hours if there is a change in credit on the UCC2 form. The points are not totaled correctly in the grading section of the syllabus. The most recent version of the academic honesty boilerplate needs to be included.**
16. WIS3553 – Introduction to Conservation Genetics
   See item #15

17. WIS4203C – Landscape Ecology and Conservation
   See item #15

18. WIS4945C – Wildlife Techniques
   See item #15

Changes to Curriculum

   See item #15

Changes to Academic Learning Compacts

20. Proposed Revision to the Food Science ALC
    A motion was made by Dr. Giuliano to approve this item as submitted. The motion was approved.

    See item #15

Discussion Topics

22. Proposal for CALS questions on online course evaluations
    A motion was made by Dr. Blakeslee to approve this item as submitted. The motion was approved.

Conclusion
The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.