

MINUTES
College of Liberal Arts
Undergraduate Instruction Committee Meeting
March 17, 2008

Members Present: Claude Gibson – Presiding Officer, Scott Austin, Deborah Carlson, Samuel Cohn, Robert Hanson, Robert Harmel, Alan Houtchens, Michael Stephenson, Patricia Timmons (for Richard Curry), David Vaught

Members Absent: Pamela Matthews – Chair, Christoph Konrad, Anthony Bourgeois, Shawn Snyder

Others Present: Don Curtis, Tasha Dubriwny, Sherry Higginbotham

Announcements/Discussions

- Minutes of the December 17, 2007 meeting were reviewed and approved by the committee.
- Assistant Dean Don Curtis talked to the committee about future plans for Liberal Arts Honors. In a memo to Dean Johnson, Dean Matthews and he proposed replacing the current honors plan with a dual-track program that offers both a research and non-research option.
- A draft of course proposal procedures being developed by Dean Matthews was presented and discussed. The committee members were asked to review them. This item will be discussed in more detail at a later meeting.

Action Items

- **New Course Proposals**
 - ENGL 359. Forms of Creative Writing was unanimously approved.
 - ENGL 373. American Realism and Naturalism was unanimously approved.
 - ENGL 460. Writing for the Web was unanimously approved.
 - FILM 356. Literature and Film (Cross-listed w/ENGL 356) was unanimously approved.
 - POLS 333. International Cooperation was unanimously approved.
 - POLS 412. International Political Economy was unanimously approved with the provision that the support of the Department of Economics be reconfirmed. This was done subsequent to the meeting.

- **Change in Course**
 - ENGL 356. Literature and Film (Cross-listed w/FILM 356) (change of prerequisites; add cross-listing; change in lec/lab hours; change of subject matter code) was unanimously approved.

- **Degree Proposals**
 - A Minor in English with Emphasis in Creative Writing was unanimously approved.

 - A BA in Women's and Gender Studies was unanimously approved.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The next scheduled meeting of the committee will be Monday, April 21, 2008 at 2 pm in 206A Coke Building.