The University of Louisiana at Monroe
College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

Meeting of January 28, 2010
Arts and Sciences Conference Room - ADMN 1-47

Dr. Serpil Saydam (Chair) called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Members present: Deborah Chandler, Dara Engler, Preston Jones, Chris Michaelides, Thomas Sasek (Secretary), Josh Stockley, and Ralph Zehnder.

Members absent: Claudia Grinnell (excused).

New Business:

Proposals From:

1. Department of Agriculture:
   Accepted. Requires a catalog change form for p. 88.

   Catalog change: A new degree plan in Agribusiness.
   Accepted. Requires a catalog change form for the new degree plan.

2. VAPA – Department of Art:
   Course Description Change: FCSC 316 (Housing). Change from 2 credits to 3.
   Accepted.

   Course Description Changes: ART 411, 412 and 418.
   Tabled. No representative present.

3. Department of Chemistry:
   Change in Degree Plans: ACS Certified and Non-ACS Certified. Remove 2 hr. of kinesiology.
   Accepted.

   Course Description Change: CHEM 220 (Introduction to Physical Chemistry). Reinstate missing course prerequisites.
   Accepted. The ASCC recommended removing the parentheses in description for two of the prerequisite courses.
Catalog change: Addition of a BS in Chemistry with Biochemistry Concentration to reflect the strength in the biochemistry offerings and to maintain competitiveness with other regional institutions. 

Accepted. The degree plans on the various forms need to be corrected to reflect that Math 131, 132 were 8 hr. of credit, not 6. The catalog inserts were missing from the ASCC packets.

4. Department of History:  
 Change in Degree Plan: To achieve the new goal of a 120 hr. degree plan, 6 of the 12 hr. of foreign language requirement were eliminated, along with 1 hour of science laboratory, and 1 hour of kinesiology. 

Accepted. On behalf of the Foreign Languages department, it was noted that it was disheartening to see this change that might diminish the existing strong ties between the two departments. It is hoped that students will continue to be advised to consider the additional hours of foreign language among their elective hours for their benefit.

5. Department of Military Science:  
 New Course Additions: MILS 114 (Basic Drill Phase I), 115 (Basic Drill Phase II), 215 (Advanced Drill Phase I) and 216 (Advanced Drill Phase II). 

Accepted. In the forms, the course descriptions and course titles did not always match. The titles should also be checked for consistency. The catalog inserts were missing from the ASCC packets. A cover memo for the entire MILS packet should be included that briefly summarizes the requests.

Course Title Changes: MILS 310, 311, 410, 411, 412 and 413. The titles are being changed to meet US Army requirements.

Accepted. In the forms, there were some inconsistencies: the activity type should be listed as “Laboratory”, the course level as “Undergraduate”, and there should be consistency in the use of lab and laboratory in the titles and descriptions. In MILS 413, sometimes the title included “III” instead of “IV”.

6. VAPA – Department of Music:  
 Course Description Change: MUSC 201. 

Tabled. No representative was present.

7. Departments of Biology, Chemistry, Geosciences, Mathematics and Physics:  
 New Course Additions: BIOL 150, CHEM 150, GEOS 150 and PHYS 150. The integrated science courses, currently listed as SCIE courses, will be
moved to their respective departments.

*Accepted.* New course names were submitted that require revisions on several of the forms. In addition, the ASCC recommended the addition of “(formerly SCIExxx)” in the description of each course. There was a typographical error in the description for the BIOL150 course on each of the forms. The ASCC also recommended that the packet include the necessary corrections to the University Core Curriculum page in the catalog.

Spring meetings will be on Thursdays at 3:00 pm in ADMN 1-47:
   February 25th, March 18th and April 22nd.

*Adjourned:* 4:20 pm.

*Submitted by Thomas Sasek, ASCC Secretary.*