

**College of Social Sciences
Curriculum Committee
Wednesday, November 8, 2006
3:00 PM**

MINUTES

Present: Vásquez, George (Assoc. Dean and Committee Chair); Chua, Peter (Sociology); Danopoulos, Constantine (Political Science); Davis, Kate (Geography); Don, Pat (History); Gerami, Shahin (Social Science); Hosoda, Megumi (Psychology); McCoy, Mark (Anthropology); Kauppila, Paul (Library); Millner, Steve (African American Studies); Todd, Anne Marie (Communication Studies); Zia, Asim (Environmental Studies).

I. Approval of Minutes, 9/13/06: m/s/approved unanimously.

II. Geography 125, Topics in Human Geography Revisions: m/s/approved unanimously. Dr. Davis presented this course, pointing out revisions: rearranged syllabus, included relevancy to 3rd world issues; expanded upon writing requirements in course.

III. History 106, History of the Holy Land: m/s/approved unanimously. Dr. Don presented this course, explaining that it is an important part of the Jewish Studies concentration housed in the History Department, and it has already been offered three times on an experimental basis.

IV. History 158, Gender and Consumer Culture: m/s/approved unanimously. Dr. Don presented this course. The Committee recommended, and Dr. Don agreed, that the course should be considered for crosslisting with Women's Studies.

V. History 157, Gender and Medicine: m/s/approved unanimously. Dr. Don presented course. She explained that it was being offered in the spring 2007 as an experimental course, but that the request for approval was as a permanent course to begin offering in Fall 2007 or Spring 2008. The Committee recommended, and Dr. Don agreed, that the course should be considered for crosslisting with Women's Studies.

VI. Crosslisting Courses Dealing with Women's Studies: Dr. Gerami, Coordinator of Women's Studies, discussed the importance of departments' considering crosslisting with the Department of Social Sciences (Women's Studies) all courses that deal with women's or gender issues. Making a commitment to do this will help to strengthen the Women's Studies program in the College of Social Sciences, as well as preserve the College's commitment to the integrity of this program.

The final conclusion of the committee, on this matter, was that: "When any course that encompasses issues in Gender Studies is brought before the Committee, an effort will be made to crosslist that course with the Department of Social Sciences."

VII. Announcements:

History 196M, History of Music: Dr. Vásquez explained that the Department of History had resubmitted a highly improved greensheet/proposal for this experimental course, directly to the Dean's Office. In consideration of the time factor for introducing this course in the spring 2007, Dr. Vásquez signed his approval for the course to be offered one time only on an experimental basis. If it is to be offered again, it must come before the Curriculum Committee for approval.

Coordination with Student Services: Dr. Don introduced her recommendation that the Curriculum Committee consider inviting Hoan Nguyen from Student Services to some of our meetings. His area is coordinating a huge student recruitment plan that will affect the College and potentially considerations for curriculum offerings in the future.

Lincoln Symposium: Dr. Vásquez reminded the Committee about the upcoming Lincoln Symposium in on February 12, 2007.