

INSTRUCTION COUNCIL

MINUTES

Thursday, January 21, 2020
ZOOM Conference Call
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

In attendance: Laurie Beets, Bruce Benjamin, Chad Blew, Aaron Christensen, Cynda Clary, Richard Frohock, Jami Fullerton, Margi Gilmour, Jeff Hartman, Susan Johnson, Diane Jones, James Knecht, Marlys Mason, Christine Ormsbee, Rita Peaster, Kyndal Roark, Adrienne Sanogo, Randy Seitsinger, Candace Thrasher, Jean Van Delinder, Denise Weaver, Missy Wikle, Tom Wikle, and Jeanette Mendez, Chair.

1. Spring and/or Fall 2021 Semester Discussion – General Discussion

- Students have become less diligent about mask wearing
 - They have received the vaccination and do not feel the need to wear the mask
 - They have had the virus and do not feel the need to wear the mask
- University needs to distribute communication regarding the continued need for masks
- Student organization activities
 - Plan was submitted to associate dean regarding COVID precautions
 - According to social media, those plans were not followed
 - How to hold those students responsible
 - OSU Communications should be preparing message to address this matter
- Mask usage for Fall 2021 has not been determined
- Access to COVID testing will continue to be available – rapid test only – limited to symptomatic individuals only
 - IC members expressed their concern that COVID rapid tests be available for exposed individuals as well
- IC members expressed their gratitude to the Registrar's Office for their friends and helpful service

2. SAS Accommodation Letters for High Risk Students – Tom Wikle

Letters have been distributed to faculty this spring regarding accommodations for our students who are high risk – quarantining someplace besides here in Stillwater, students who are not attending in person classes at all. Their classes are 100% virtual. T. Wikle spoke with Lisa Dobson regarding the accommodation process of the at-risk student. Whenever possible, advisors are attempting to steer high risk students away from face to face courses. The expectation would be that students would not have to come to campus – everything would be 100% online. Colleges will need to do everything they can to accommodate requests from these high-risk students. With that in mind, colleges may need to seek funding for these accommodations. T. Wikle discussed the need to approach this issue consistently across campus. Examyty is an auto proctoring exam program that is provided to students at a minimal fee. C. Ormsbee will contact Student Disability Services to inquire about their office covering the cost for those students who wish to use Examyty for their exams.

3. Curriculum:

**College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology:
Course Actions:**

IEM 4783 and 5783 - Resolved

Center for Health Sciences
Course Actions:

12/3/20 - The following courses were table pending discussions with the Center for Health Sciences and the College of Education and Human Sciences. The information below reflects the changes.

HCA 5313	<p>HCA 5313 Social Structures of Behavioral Health</p> <p>Policy Development in Healthcare Administration</p>	<p>Exploration of social determinants of health as it relates to health policy. Examples of topics include how the environment, poverty, educational attainment, food access, gender, and occupation all impact a person's health and therefore a population. Social determinants of health are an important concept to keep in mind in creating and analyzing health policy.</p> <p>Exploration of healthcare policy development from an administrative perspective. Policy development will be studied with regard to both behavioral and social healthcare structures.</p>
HCA 5323	<p>HCA 5323 Aspects of Mental Health in Society</p> <p>Mental Health Policy Development for Healthcare Administrators</p>	<p>Concepts of health and mental health policy and the ways in which governments play a role in health and health care provision. Students will understand how health policy is created at each level of government and be able to understand different stakeholders' interests in health policy. They will understand the makeup of the U.S. health care delivery system, including key policy developments over the last 50 years. Students will be able to explain and apply health care policy principles to topics discussed in class.</p> <p>Mental health policy development from an administrative perspective. Policy development will be evaluated with regard to the role of governments and stakeholders</p>

4. Other

- J. Mendez announced that M. Wikle will be stepping down as director of University College Advising (UCA) and Learning And Student Success Opportunity (LASSO) Center and transitioning all of her time to First Year Success and New Student Orientation. As a campus we have made great strides with retention in the last few years. Now that we've grabbed the populations that are easier to reach, the next group that we need to focus on is going to be a little more difficult to get us to the next level. We are looking at other strategies. In the meantime, there will be a search for a new UCA / LASSO director.
- C. Blew – the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid has been working closing with Undergraduate Admissions. The July 1 deadline for financial aid applications will be pushed back to the Friday before classes begin in the fall, August 13, 2021.
- C. Blew – we are soon expected to receive our allotment of money from the government for COVID relief bill. A good amount of money will be offered as student grants. These grants will be available for undergraduate and graduate students.
- L. Beets – Bursar announced that students can opt in to have the COVID funds be applied to their bursar account.

- C. Ormsbee - Examity added a lock down browser feature to it that it did not have in the fall. Faculty will need to select that option when setting up the program. Examity now has the ability to record the student's browser activity during the exam.
- Academic Integrity cases have skyrocketed this semester. A graduate student is now working with C. Thrasher which will free up some of the overwhelming time that she was spending.
- The Spring commencement committee will be meeting in February to begin discussing how to provide an in-person graduation ceremony. Details are unknown at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 9:29am

Minutes were recorded by K. Roark