

INSTRUCTION COUNCIL

MINUTES

Thursday, May 18, 2023

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PASSCODE: 596082

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

In attendance: Chad Blew, Larry Burns, Kyndal Campbell, Aaron Christensen, Ryan Chung, Cynda Clary, Andrew Doust, Craig Freeman, Richard Frohock, Jami Fullerton, Sandip Harimkar, Jeff Hartman, Sarah Johnson, Diane Jones, James Knecht, Chris Ormsbee, Rita Peaster, Jerry Ritchey, Adrienne Sanogo, Becky Taylor, Candace Thrasher, Jean Van Delinder, and Chris Francisco, Chair.

1. Introduction of Becky Taylor – Chris Francisco

Becky Taylor joined the Office of Academic Affairs April 24, 2023 as the Assistant Vice President of Provost's Priorities and Strategic Initiatives. She will be helping to shepherd through the main strategy items connected to the Provost. The need to add to the Provost staff was evident when it came time to implement the President's strategic plan, especially in light of the new reporting structure of five divisions reporting to the Provost. It is imperative to work across divisions to make sure operations are smooth for students. As Assistant VP, B. Taylor will be assisting with these projects to ensure a smooth transition. B. Taylor expressed her appreciation for having the opportunity to work with the members of Instruction Council.

2. Freshman Enrollment Projection Update – Jeff Hartman

J. Hartman reported that Enrollment Management is predicting somewhere between 4825 and 4875 incoming freshman students. There is no official predictor for transfer students, however data shows that approximately 80 percent of the transfer students who apply will enroll. C. Clary requested a breakdown of the estimated number of incoming freshmen students by college. J. Hartman will discuss this request with Institutional Research Analytics (IRA).

3. Common Application Update – Jeff Hartman

OSU is now a member of the Common Application process, which will begin Fall 2024 for degree seeking freshmen only. All other student types – transfer, non degree seeking, readmits, concurrent, etc. – will be required to use the SLATE application. Slate application will open July 1, while Common Application will open August 1. With regards to the Slate application OSU will be using one essay question in an effort to mimic the Common Application. The essay question is not required on either application, but it is highly encouraged. Students will have the opportunity to go back and answer the essay question if they submit their application without it. The essay question will include a single block and seven prompts the student can choose from. The student will need to answer only one of the prompts. Our goal is to make these applications as seamless as possible and capture the same information, just in a different order on the application, as we have a considerable amount of flexibility with Slate.

4. Curriculum

1) Information Item Only:

Course Reactivation

NREM 5403 – Advanced Wetland Ecology

2) Course Action Summaries:

College of Arts and Sciences (attached) – CDIS was tabled for future discussion.

