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## **Annual Report of the Curriculum and Educational Policies Council AY 2022-2023**

### **Preface**

As always, CEPC addressed many curricular and policy items during the last academic year of 2022-23. As usual, it prioritized (a large number of) curricular items submitted, as to speedily move them to the Senate for consideration as appropriate. The council, of course, also devoted a substantial amount of time to revise and create a number of policies and charges.

That said, CEPC has been extremely expedient – while still being thorough – in its reviews and recommendations to the Senate. So much so that the only policy it currently has under review is the one currently under discussion (PS 16-17), and the only curricular items still under review are those which the Senate office just recently forwarded us.

Continuing its approach since Spring 2020, meetings during this AY were held solely online, via Zoom, based on the preference of the council members, who voted to continue meeting via Zoom in AY 2022-23. (CEPC will once more hold a discussion and vote on how to meet in AY 2023-24, during its next Organizational Meeting, on May 10, 2023.)

### **Membership and Guests**

*Members:* Anita Fitzgerald, Babette Benken, Betina Hsieh, Chris Swarat, Craig Macaulay (Vice Chair), Danny Paskin (Chair), Diane Hayashino, Donna Green, Enrico Tapavicza, Ga-Young Kelly Suh (Alternate), Henry O’Lawrence, Itxaso Rodriguez, Jeet Joshee, Jeff Bentley (Secretary, Fall 2022, before leaving on Sabbatical), Jermie Arnold, Jody Cormack, Laura Forrest, Leilani Madrigal (returning from sabbatical in Spring 2023), Nina Flores, Pamela Lewis, Perla Ayala, Praveen Shankar (Secretary, Spring 2023), Rene Treviño, Salim Alani, Seong-Hoon Jeong (Spring 2023), Shamim Mirza, Tom Tredway, Tom Wang.

*Guests:* Kamiar Alaei, Mehrdad Aliasgari, Michelle Barrack, Ken Brown, Christina Costa, Erlyana Erlyana, Laurie Gatlin, Nancy Hall, Don Haviland, Lucy Huckabay, Soyeon Kim, Karen Kleinfelder, Paul Laris, Xuhui Li, Aubrey Mintz, Robert Moushon, Will Murray, Avery Olson, Jake Olson, Dina Perrone, Ruth Piker, Mariah Proctor, Shimbe Shim, Shabnam Sodagari, Lora Stevens, Kagba Suaray, Paul Sun, Brian Trimble, Tiffanye Vargas, Michael Williams.

## **New, Elevation, Discontinuance, or Name Change of Programs and Certificates**

1. New degree, Doctor of Nursing Practice degree;
2. New degree, Bachelor of Science in Geography;
3. New degree, Bachelor of Science in Applied Data Science;
4. New program, Program of Population and Public Health;
5. New option in Animation within current Bachelor of Fine Arts in Arts;
6. Degree elevation, *from* current Bachelor of Arts in Art, Option in Art Education degree *to* Bachelor of Arts in Art Education;
7. Degree elevation, *from* Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Art, Option in Art History *to* (standalone) Bachelor of Arts in Art History;
8. Degree elevation, *from* Master of Arts in Education, Option in Early Childhood Education *to* (standalone) Master of Arts in Early Childhood Education;
9. Degree elevation, *from* Master of Science in Counseling, Option in School Counseling *to* (standalone) Master of Science in School Counseling;
10. Degree elevation, *from* Master of Arts in Education, Option in Social and Cultural Analysis of Education *to* (standalone) Master of Arts in Equity, Education and Social Justice;
11. Degree elevation, *from* Master of Science in Mathematics, Option in Applied Mathematics *to* Master of Science in Computational and Applied Mathematics;
12. Degree elevation, *from* Master of Science in Mathematics, Option in Mathematics Education for Secondary School Teachers *to* Master of Science in Mathematics for Educators;
13. Discontinuance of the Master of Science in Nursing Direct Entry;
14. Discontinuance of State-Side Master of Science Degree in Emergency Services Administration;
15. Discontinuance of the Master of Arts in Music;
16. Discontinuance of the Bachelor of Music, Option in Music History and Literature;

17. Discontinuance of Bachelor of Arts in Dance, Option in Dance Science;
18. Degree name change, *from* Bachelor of Science (BS) in Dietetics and Food Administration *to* Bachelor of Science (BS) in Nutrition and Food Science;
19. Degree name change, *from* Master of Science in Counseling, Option in Student Development in Higher *to* Master of Science in Counseling, Student Development in Higher Education;
20. Degree name change, *from* Master of Science in Finance *to* Master of Science in Finance Analytics;
21. Degree name change, *from* Bachelor of Arts in Art, Option in Studio Art *to* Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art;
22. Degree name change, *from* Master of Arts in Art *to* Master of Arts in Art History.

#### **New, Discontinuance, or Name Change of Departments, Schools, or Colleges**

1. Department Name Change, *from* Department of Geological Sciences *to* Department of Earth Sciences;
2. New school, School of Population and Public Health.

#### **Revisions to existing and approvals of new university policy statements**

1. New Proposed Policy on Master's Level Programs Culminating Activities;
2. New Proposed Policy on Credit for Prior Learning;
3. Revision of existing Policy on Master's Degrees.

#### **Revisions to or approval of new charges of committees and councils**

1. Offered input on proposed changes to CEPC charge, as per request of Academic Senate. No official vote was held, as the discussion was not an official review.

## **Course Approvals**

None.

### **General Education Course List Supplements**

1. Approval of Supplement 94 (concerning Fall 2022) on Dec. 12, 2022;
2. Approval of Supplement 95 (concerning Spring 2023) to be reviewed on May 10, 2023;

### **Annual Reports of Committees that Report to the Council**

1. Academic Appeals Committee – Approved on September 14, 2023;
2. General Education Governing Committee – Approved on September 14, 2023;
3. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee – Approved on September 14, 2023;
4. University Grade Appeals Committee – Approved on September 14, 2023;
5. International Education Committee – Approved on September 14, 2023.

### **Appointment of Liaisons or Members to University Committees and the Senate**

1. Academic Appeals Committee – Pamela Lewis;
2. Academic Senate – Praveen Shankar;
3. General Education Governing Committee – Danny Paskin;
4. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee – Henry O’Lawrence;
5. International Education Committee – Jeet Joshee;
6. University Grade Appeals Committee – Perla Ayala.

## **Unfinished Business**

1. Revision of existing PS 16-17, Policy on Certificates. Although CEPC has been reviewing this policy in its last few meetings, with the assistance of council members with expertise on the matter (such as AVP Cormack), the extensive changes proposed to this policy – which has been in our queue for years, pushed back in lieu of other pressing matters – has meant not being able to finish our work on it yet.

## **On CEPC Queue/Not Discussed Yet**

1. PS 92-09 – Policy Statement Grad Course as Senior Revised: Policy was submitted by Senate Exec to CEPC on 04/25/23 and, therefore, CEPC did not have a chance to start reviewing it.
2. PS 12-12 – University Writing Across the Curriculum Requirement Policy: Policy was submitted by Senate Exec to CEPC on 04/26/23 and, therefore, CEPC did not have a chance to start reviewing it;

## **Others / Concerns / Queries / Comments / Recommendations**

3. The CEPC chair would like to, once again, personally thank the vice chair, Craig Macaulay, and the secretaries of CEPC (Jeff Bentley during the Fall, and Praveen Shankar, during the Spring), as well as the vice provost and dean of Graduate Studies, Jody Cormack, for their continued work and input as part of the CEP Steering Committee. The chair recommends that the CEP Steering Committee continues to be an active voice in defining the agenda and direction of the council in the years to come;
4. The CEPC chair would also like to thank Ann Kinsey, Academic Analyst/Specialist, Academic Senate Chair Assistant, for her continued support (practical and mental ☺) of CEPC and its current chair, during this and the many past years. Without Ann's continued assistance, without which we would definitely not have been able to achieve even a portion of what we did;
5. CEPC would like to thank Senate Exec for allowing us, as well as the other university councils and committees, to continue defining our own mode of meeting. CEPC members overwhelmingly showed a preference for continuing to meet via Zoom. Doing so is not only more convenient for members but has also proven to be more equitable (helping, for example, those dealing with family matters where an in-person meeting would be impossible to attend).
6. CEPC appreciates having had the chance to offer input on the revision of its own charge, which the Senate later approved. We also look forward to welcoming our new members to our roster, including academic advisors!

7. CEPC also had the chance to offer input, without any official discussion or votes, on proposed procedure and guidelines for Blended Programs. As always, CEPC appreciates being included in discussions concerning educational policies and curriculum;
8. Likewise, CEPC would like to request that Senate Exec consider inviting a representative from CEPC – such as its chair – to discussions that directly involves or may directly involve CEPC. Like the CEPC charge, other issues that directly involve CEPC have, in the past, moved forward to the Senate, or down to CEPC, without an actual consultation with CEPC or its representatives first. As much as we appreciate not to have to attend yet another meeting, we'd appreciate the invitation at least, so that decisions are inclusive, and not top-down, and are as informed as possible.

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