

APSC Actions – Spring 2018

- I. APSC approved the following new courses:**
- a. **FMST 103: Introduction to Media Studies** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - b. **FMST 211: Screenwriting** (Jan 29, 2018)
 - c. **FMST 220: Topics in Media Studies** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - d. **FMST 320: Topics in Advanced Media Studies** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - e. **ERSC 151: Foundations of Earth Sciences** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - f. **ERSC 333: Environmental Geophysics** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - g. **ERSC 335: Global Geophysics and Tectonics** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - h. **PSYC 320: Research Methods in Health Psychology** (Feb. 12, 2018)
 - i. **ENST 302: Topics in Humanities/Arts & Environment** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - j. **ENST 303: Topics in Society & Environment** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - k. **ENST 304: Topics in Foundations of Environmental Science** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - l. **ENST 305: Topics in Applications of Environmental Science** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - m. **ENST 306: Topics in Environmental Studies Specializations** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - n. **ENST 307: Topics in Disciplinary Specializations** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - o. **ENST 350: Environmental Health** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - p. **ENST 372: Environment, Conflict and Peace** (Feb. 19, 2018)
 - q. **ECON 298: Econometrics** (April 23, 2018)
- II. APSC approved the removal of the following courses from the *Bulletin*:**
- a. **ERSC 204: Global Climate Change** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - b. **ERSC 208: Environmental Hazards** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - c. **ERSC 220: Environmental Geology** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - d. **ENST 310: Special Topics in Environmental Science** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - e. **ENST 311: Special Topics in Environmental Studies** (Feb. 5, 2018)
- III. APSC approved the following curriculum changes:**
- a. **Changes to the FMST minor requirements** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - b. **Change from HIST 270/AFST 220: African History from Earliest Times to c. 1850 to HIST 170/AFST 170: African Civilizations to 1850** (Jan 22., 2018)
 - c. **Request to change HIST 271/AFST 220: African History since 1800 to HIST 171/AFST 171: African History since 1800** (Jan.22, 2018)
 - d. **Change in requirements for the CPYB Certificate** (Jan. 22, 2018)
 - e. **Change in PHYS major requirements** (Jan. 22, 2018)
 - f. **Change in ASTR minor requirements** (Jan. 22, 2018)
 - g. **Change to PHYS titles and/or descriptions for ASTR/PHYS 208, 306; PHYS 491, 492** (Jan. 22, 2018)
 - h. **Exchange program with Higher School of Economics, Moscow** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - i. **Arava Institute sustainability collaboration with Dickinson College Farm** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - j. **Change in location of CIEE partner program in Brazil from Sao Paolo to Rio** (Jan. 29, 2018)
 - k. **Changes to ERSC major requirements** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - l. **Changes to ERSC course prerequisites for 201, 202, 221, 301, 302, 305, 307, 309, 320** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - m. **ERSC 331 – title change** (Feb. 5, 2018)
 - n. **RUSS – addition of Russian studies minor track** (Feb. 12, 2018)
 - o. **ITAL 103 prerequisite change** (Feb. 12, 2018)
 - p. **Reaffirmed the policy regarding online courses for transfer credit** (Feb. 12, 2018)
 - q. **ENST 121 – change in course title** (Feb. 19, 2018)

- r. **Changes to the ARCH major requirements resulting from ERSC course changes** (Feb. 19, 2018)
- s. **POSC 252 – change to course description** (Feb. 26, 2018)
- t. **Change in capacity from 35 to 25 for one year trial for ENST 161** (March 5, 2018)
- u. **Permanent WID courses per Noreen’s report** (March 5, 2018)
- v. **SOCI 244 – change to course description, to include lab format and permanent capacity of 20** (March 19, 2018)
- w. **AMST – changes to the minor requirements** (March 19, 2018)
- x. **RELG 311 – removal of prerequisites** (March 26, 2018)
- y. **Fall 2018 academic calendar to remain as initially approved** (March 19, 2018)
- z. **Fall 2019 academic calendar to remain as initially approved, but with change to due date for fall grades following release of 2018-19 holiday schedule** (March 26, 2018)
- aa. **Quantitative economics major** (April 2, 2018)
- bb. **Changes to the ANTH major and minor requirements** (April 2, 2018)
- cc. **ANTH 101 and ANTH 336 – title and description changes** (April 2, 2018)
- dd. **ANTH 110/ARCH 110 – remove arts attribute** (April 2, 2018)
- ee. **Permanently cross-list SPAN 239 with LALC 239** (April 2, 2018)
- ff. **Double-counting of ITAL 201 in 18FA for sustainability and language** (April 2, 2018; April 23, 2018)
- gg. **Following the April 2 approval of the major, APSC approved the option for the 13 course major in Quantitative Economics (QECN)** (April 23, 2018)
- hh. **ECON 374 - Changes to course title, description and prerequisites** (April 23, 2018)
- ii. **ECON 496 – change to prerequisites** (April 23, 2018)
- jj. **ECON 375 – change to prerequisites** (April 30, 2018)
- kk. **Haiti Mosaic, Spring 2019** (April 23, 2018)
- ll. **Brazil Mosaic, Spring 2019** (April 23, 2018)
- mm. **Revised sustainability requirement and learning goals** (April 23, 2018)
- nn. **Suspension of accepting the ASL online course through <https://signingonline.com/> in fulfillment of the language requirement** (April 30, 2018)
- oo. **SPAN 101 and 102 – permanent change to workshop format** (April 30, 2018)
- pp. **Norwich Humanities Program Spring semester only option** (April 30, 2018)

IV. APSC denied the following:

- a. **Request to make an exception for one international student to reclassify the CIP code for their Dickinson degree** (Feb. 19, 2018)
- b. **Request from BIOL to reduce the capacity of 131 and 132** (March 19, 2018)

V. Hiring

- a. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a tenure-track position in EDST** (April 16, 2018)
- b. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a tenure-track position in AMST (Latinx)** (April 9, 2018)
- c. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a tenure-track position in INST/POSC** (April 9, 2018)

VI. Discussions

- a. **FMST minor requirements revisions and new course proposals** (Jan. 22 and 29, 2018)
- b. **PE requirement** (Jan. 22, 2018; Jan. 29, 2018; Feb. 19, 2018; March 19, 2018; April 16, 2018)

- c. **Proposal to create new “civic learning” course attribute** (Jan. 22, 2018; Feb. 19, 2018)
- d. **Sustainability Graduation Requirement: Report on the Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes, 2016-17** (Jan. 22, 2018; Feb. 5, 2018)
- e. **INST 404 teaching credits** (Jan. 29, 2018)
- f. **APSC meeting time** (Feb. 5, 2018)
- g. **RUSS minor** (Feb. 5, 2018; Feb. 12, 2018)
- h. **SOCI 244 – addition of lab and cap of 16** (Feb. 12, 2018; March 5, 2018; March 19, 2018)
- i. **SPAN elective requirement changes** (Feb. 12, 2018)
- j. **Policy regarding online courses for transfer credit** (Feb. 12, 2018; Feb. 26, 2018)
- k. **Reclassification of international alum’s Dickinson degree** (Feb. 19, 2018; March 5, 2018)
- l. **ENST 161 – request to change capacity** (Feb. 19, 2018; Feb. 26, 2018; March 5, 2018)
- m. **BIOL reduce course caps** (Feb. 26, 2018; March 19, 2018)
- n. **Request from Student Life to change to the academic calendars Fall 2018 and Fall 2019** (Feb. 26, 2018; March 5, 2018; March 19, 2018; March 26, 2018)
- o. **ECON proposal for Quantitative Economics major** (March 19, 2018; March 26, 2018; April 2, 2018; April 9, 2018; April 16, 2018; April 23, 2018)
- p. **RELG 311 – removal of prerequisites** (March 19, 2018; March 26, 2018)
- q. **ENST 252 – temporary suspension; coherence of major without the course** (March 26, 2018)
- r. **Notice of co-curricular requirements for courses** (April 2, 2018)
- s. **MATH exemption from FYSM** (April 9, 2018)
- t. **Position reauthorizations (AMST [2 positions], ANTH, EDST, HIST, INST/POSC)** (April 9, 2018; April 23, 2018)
- u. **Learning communities** (April 16, 2018)
- v. **Position reauthorization - AFST and ANTH** (April 23, 2018)
- w. **Position reauthorizations – AMST and ANTH** (April 30, 2018)
- x. **American Sign Language online course at <https://signingonline.com/>** (April 30, 2018)
- y. **Report from Damon Yarnell, Advising (including Fall Bridge and Early Alerts)** (April 30, 2018)

VII. Announcements

- a. **Neil updated the committee on the expected arrival of the five Chibok women and the academic program** (Jan. 22, 2018; March 26, 2018)
- b. **Neil updated the committee on the pilot program with the US Army War College to offer graduate courses for their officers and others in the areas of peacekeeping, violence prevention and humanitarian response** (Jan. 22, 2018; Jan. 29, 2018; March 26, 2018)
- c. **Neil explained that the task force on college finances would be holding open sessions with various group on campus for gathering feedback regarding priorities** (Jan. 22, 2018)
- d. **Neil told the committee that he and others would be meeting with representatives of the Army War College on Feb. 21** (Feb. 19, 2018)
- e. **Neil told the committee to expect position reauthorization requests for retirement replacements and asked that all be discussed together and ranked** (Feb. 19, 2018)
- f. **Neil told the committee that ECON would be proposing a new major in econometrics** (March 5, 2018)

g. President Ensign joined the meeting to update the committee on the collaboration with the US Army War College and a forthcoming signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (April 23, 2018)

VIII. Reports and Updates

- a. Subcommittee on Academic Standards Actions Fall 2017 (April 9, 2018)**
- b. Update on Grant Activity (April 16, 2018)**
- c. Student Senate (Jan. 22, 2018; Feb. 5, 2018)**
- d. Roll Call Report (April 2, 2018)**
- e. Report on Service-Learning and Community-Based Research (Feb. 19, 2018)**
- f. Report on First-Year Seminar Information Literacy Program (April 2, 2018)**
- g. Report from Damon Yarnell, Advising (including Fall Bridge and Early Alerts) (April 30, 2018)**
- h. Withdrawal Report, Fall 2017 (Feb. 5, 2018)**
- i. First-year seminar proposals for Fall 2018 (April 2, 2018)**
- j. Report on Learning Communities, FYSM extracurricular events and field trips (April 16, 2018)**
- k. Pass/Fail trends (Feb. 5, 2018)**
- l. Grade Analysis Report, Longitudinal Class GPA Report, Current Cumulative GPA for Fall 2017 (Feb. 5, 2018)**
- m. Self-developed major progress report from Olivia Zoratto (Feb. 26, 2018)**

IX. External Departmental Reviews

- a. Discussion of SOCI, MEST, INBM, EASN, POST, WGSS, JDST self-studies (Jan. 15, 2018)**
- b. Discussion of revised JDST self-study (Feb. 26, 2018)**
- c. Discussion of SOCI reviewers' report (Feb. 26, 2018)**
- f. Discussion of EASN, MEST and POST reviewers' reports (March 26, 2018)**
- g. Discussion of INBM reviewers' report (April 2, 2018)**
- h. Discussion of response from AMST (April 2, 2018)**
- i. Discussion of self-study questions for academic resources in preparation for 2018-19 reviews (April 16, 2018; April 30, 2018)**
- j. Discussion of WGSS reviewers' report (April 23, 2018)**
- k. Discussion of response from MEST (April 23, 2018)**
- l. Discussion of response from EASN and INBM (April 30, 2018)**

X. Unfinished Business

- a. JDST external reviewers report**
- b. Responses from SOCI, POST and WGSS**
- c. Double counting of language requirements with other graduation requirements (ex. SUST)**
- d. PE requirement**
- e. Civic learning**
- f. American Sign Language**
- g. INBM Summer Study Group report**
- h. Process for faculty position reauthorizations when funding becomes available**
- i. SPAN major elective requirements**
- j. Learning Communities response from Shalom**