

APSC Actions - Fall 2015

- I. **APSC approved the following new courses:**
 - a. **MUAC 131: Introduction to the Art of Composition** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - b. **MUAC 133, 134, 233, 234, 333, 334: Composers' Forum** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - c. **MUAC 231, 232: Counterpoint** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - d. **MUAC 331, 332: Intermediate Composition Lessons: Composing with Electronic Media** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - e. **MUAC 431, 432: Advanced Composition Lessons** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - f. **MUAC 435, 436: Composition Studies II: Portfolio and Project** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - g. **CHEM 200: Special Topics in Chemistry** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - h. **ERSC 310: Special Topics in Earth Sciences** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - i. **FDST 201: Introduction to Food Studies** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - j. **FDST 401: Capstone Seminar** (Nov. 16, 2015)

- II. **APSC approved the following one-time only courses:**
 - a. **ERSC 121: Habitable Worlds** (Sept. 21, 2015)

- III. **APSC approved the following curriculum changes:**
 - a. **ARCH/ANTH 300 – new course description** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - b. **CHEM 490 - reduced capacity from 24 to 16 students** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - c. **Uniform numbering of the language courses which fulfill the all-college graduation requirement** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - d. **Change in language requirement for the Akita International University** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - e. **Academic Calendars 2020-21 and 2021-22** (Sept. 14, 2015)
 - f. **GEAC summer 2016 programs: “National Futures: Reproductive Health Policy and Practices in the U.S., Japan and Israel”; “Israel/Palestine: Exploring Conflict Resolution Strategies in an Intractable Conflict”; “Meltdowns and Waves: Responding to Disasters in the U.S. and Japan mini-Mosaic.”** (Sept. 28, 2015)
 - g. **Change to BIOL introductory lab teaching credits from 0.5 to 1.0** (Sept. 28, 2015)
 - h. **Endorsement to establish a working group to discuss and define civic engagement at Dickinson** (Sept. 28, 2015)
 - i. **Changes to the MUSC composition emphasis requirements** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - j. **Changes to the EASN major language requirements** (Oct. 12, 2015)
 - k. **GEAC globally-integrated program – THDA in NYC, January 2016** (Oct. 26, 2015)
 - l. **Changes to prerequisites for PSYC 325, 335, 350, 375** (Nov. 2, 2015)
 - m. **Student learning outcomes for languages other than English** (Nov. 2, 2015)
 - n. **MISC 302 timeslot for Spring 2016** (Nov. 9, 2015)
 - o. **Change to course title and description of ERSC 311** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - p. **Change to the number of CHEM 131 sections to be offered Fall 2016** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - q. **New partner program at University of Otago, New Zealand** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - r. **Two SIT partner-programs in New Delhi and Jaipur, India** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - s. **Termination of CIEE Hyderabad, India partner-program** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - t. **Food Studies certificate program** (Nov. 16, 2015)
 - u. **SPAN 410 prerequisites** (Dec. 7, 2015)

- IV. **APSC approved removal of the following courses from the *Bulletin*:**
 - a. **SPAN 250: Spanish for Academic Contexts in Mendoza** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - b. **MUAC 255: Techniques of Composition** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - c. **MUAC 256: Composition Seminar** (Oct. 5, 2015)
 - d. **MUAC 491, 492: Senior Seminar in Composition** (Oct. 5, 2015)

- V. **Policy Changes**
 - a. **Revised Student Leave of Absence Policy** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - b. **Revised Calendar Guidelines in Academic Handbook** (Sept. 14, 2015)
 - c. **Course Withdrawal Deadline to remain as last day of classes** (Sept. 14, 2015)
 - d. **Classroom Recording Syllabus Statements** (Oct. 5, 2015)

- VI. **Other Changes**
 - a. **Designation of The Sargent Harry Goldberg Military Science Prize as an Academic Prize** (Oct. 12, 2015)

- VII. **Hiring**
 - a. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of an adjunct position in SPAN as a lecturer position** (Sept. 28, 2015)
 - b. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a tenure-track position in PSYC** (Oct. 26, 2015)
 - c. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a tenure-track position in MUSC** (Oct. 26, 2015)
 - d. **APSC approved the request for reauthorization of a lecturer position in INBM to a full-time tenure-track position** (Dec. 7, 2015)

- VIII. **Discussions**
 - a. **Newton Prize in East Asian Studies** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - b. **Academic changes to accommodate the entering class of 733 students** (Aug 31, 2015)
 - c. **Withdrawal deadline** (Sept. 14, 2015)
 - d. **Civic Engagement Initiative** (Sept. 14, 2015; Sept. 21, 2015)
 - e. **Food Studies Certificate w/new courses** (Oct. 26, 2015; Nov. 16, 2015)
 - f. **Self-developed major report – Faith Park – approved additional courses; denied HEST certification** (Nov. 2, 2015)
 - g. **Strategic Planning** (Nov. 30, 2015)

- IX. **Announcements**
 - a. **Neil told the committee that ESLC also endorsed the establishment of a temporary working group to discuss civic engagement** (Sept. 28, 2015)
 - b. **Neil told the committee that an ENST faculty member had resigned and the department was formulating a position description. They were also reviewing possible candidates through the Consortium for Faculty Diversity in Liberal Arts Education** (Dec. 7, 2015)
 - c. **Neil announced that he would be meeting with MATH to propose the possibility of pulling adjunct monies with sabbatical monies to fund a FT tenure-track position in order to meet the high demand in the department** (Dec. 7, 2015)

- X. Reports and Updates**
 - a. Subcommittee on Academic Standards** (Sept. 21, 2015)
 - b. Annual Report from the Director of Library Services** (Oct. 12, 2015)
 - c. Update on Grant Activity** (Oct. 12, 2015)
 - d. Student Senate** (Sept. 21, 2015; Sept. 28, 2015; Oct. 5, 2015; Oct. 12, 2015; Oct. 26, 2015; Nov. 16, 2015)
 - e. Roll Call Report** (Nov. 9, 2015)
 - f. Course Withdrawal Report and Analysis** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - g. Report on Summer Advising** (Sept. 21, 2015)
 - h. APSC Actions Spring 2015** (Aug. 31, 2015)
 - i. Writing Program** (Sept. 21, 2015)

- XI. External Departmental Reviews**
 - a. ARTH, MUSC, TDHA responses to APSC 2014-15 cycle** (Oct. 26, 2015)
 - b. Liaisons assigned for 2015-16 reviews** (Sept. 14, 2015)
 - c. Updates on 2015-16 reviews** (Nov. 2, 2015)
 - d. Discussion of CRWR self-study and preparation of reviewer questions** (Nov. 9, 2015)
 - e. Discussion of ECON self-study and preparation of reviewer questions** (Dec. 7, 2015)
 - f. POSC and HIST liaisons assigned** (Dec. 7, 2015)
 - g. ARTH response to APSC 2014-15 cycle** (Dec. 7, 2015)

- XII. Unfinished Business**
 - a. Additional topics for 2015-16 committee agenda (AP and transfer credits and the new graduation requirements; completion of graduation requirements to take part in commencement)** (Aug. 31, 2015)