

Minutes of the CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 18, 1972 - Kingsbridge Faculty Lounge - 10 A.M.

PRESENT: Michael Steuerman, Chairman, presiding
R. Fugazzi, A. Fuller, J. Gosselin, H. Harris, S. Heinemann,
G. Hobbs, M. Kalin, M. Kanuck, J. Kolliner, A. Lande,
R. Perez, M. Pollack, M. Rosenstock, J. Skurdenis, J. Sweeney,
E. Weiss

GUESTS: R. Donovan, S. Ehrenpreis, D. Felix, A. Galub,
M. Krieger, P. Morrill, H. Robbins, R. Salgado,
W. Sokolsky

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of January 4 were approved.

II. Communications and Announcements

A memo dated January 7 from Prof. Steuerman to Dr. Bindler requesting submission to the Committee of a completed course proposal form for History 01.

A memo dated January 7 from President Colston to Prof. Steuerman requesting the Curriculum Committee to postpone final action on the proposed History 01 course and any other remedial course proposed in the near future, pending a report from the recently established "Task Force on Remediation."

A memo dated January 10 from Prof. Doroshkin to Prof. Steuerman informing him of his inability to attend the meeting of January 18 and requesting a postponement until February 1 of further consideration of the New Course Proposal, "Field Work Course in Sociology."

Prof. Pollack announced that the Department of Continuing Education, without conferring with the Business and Commerce Department, is developing and will soon offer credit courses leading to a Data Processing certificate. The Chairman reminded the Committee that approval of "credit courses" is the responsibility of the Curriculum Committee.

The Chairman announced that the next meeting of the Curriculum Committee will take place on February 1 at 2 P.M. in the Kingsbridge Center Faculty Lounge.

III. Social Science Department New Course Proposals, "Field Work and Seminar in Psychology," "Field Work and Seminar in Political Science," "Field Work and Seminar in Sociology."

III. (Continued)

Prof. Harris announced that the proposal had received presidential endorsement after the department members agreed, if necessary, to assume increased class sizes to compensate for the limited sizes of the proposed course (maximum 15 students).

It was hoped that grant funds will also aid in offsetting the additional cost for the course.

Supervision of the course, including evaluation, will be carried out by the Social Science Department.

City and Lehman Colleges have agreed to grant major transfer credit for the proposed courses.

Prof. Krieger (Coordinator of Cooperative Education) voiced objection to further consideration of the proposal. He requested a more definitive statement of presidential support for the proposal.

Committee sentiment was in favor of taking action on the proposals in light of the president's verbal communication to Dr. Galub and also the Chairman of the Curriculum Committee.

It was moved and seconded to call the question.

Motion carried: Yes - 9 No - 4

It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed course, "Field Work and Seminar in Psychology."

Motion carried: Yes - 15 No - 0 Abs. - 1

Catalog Description: This course will grant college credit for community service, field work, or independent study as follows: 9 hours, 3 credits, 6 hours field work.

Prerequisites: 9 credits in Social Science (Economics, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and/or permission of the department). Six of these nine credits must be in Psychology.

This course is designed to enhance the student's learning experience through involvement in either independent research or field work experience and seminar participation. Psychology faculty from the Department of Social Science will both teach and supervise students' research and field activities. The student will be offered an opportunity within this course to select a personal area of interest from a wide variety of contemporary problems, activities, and concerns that are both practically and theoretically oriented to psychology today. The seminars will integrate independent research or field work with academic training.

4. (continued)

It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed course, "Field Work and Seminar in Political Science."

Motion carried: Yes - 15 No - 0 Abs. - 0

Catalog Description: "Field Work and Seminar in Political Science." 3 credits, 3 hours of seminar; 6 hours of field work. Supervised field work in local government agencies and in the offices of legislators representing local constituencies. Each student is expected to work for six hours weekly in an agency of local government or in the office of a legislator representing a local constituency. Through the medium of related seminars and conferences, the student is expected to develop a better understanding of the political and governmental problems of urban communities.

Prerequisites: 9 credits in the social sciences, including Political Science 11, and/or permission of the department.

It was moved and seconded to approve the proposed course, "Field Work and Seminar in Sociology."

Motion carried: Yes - 15 No - 0 Abs. - 0

Catalog Description: "Field Work and Seminar in Sociology." 3 credits, 3 hours of seminar and 6 hours of field work. Supervised field work in community agencies, coordinated by a member of the department in the sociology discipline. Each student is expected to work for six hours weekly in a community agency. Through the medium of related seminars and conferences the student is expected to develop a better understanding of social problems of urban communities as well as rudimentary skills in sociological research.

Prerequisites: 9 credits in the Social Sciences, including Sociology 11, and/or permission of the department.

IV. Department of Health and Physical Education, New Course Proposal, "Field Work in Community Health Resources," 6 hours-3 credits

Prof. Steuerman described the objectives of the course:

1) To acquaint and expose students to the health resources available in the community and to the changing aspects of health care.

2) To furnish knowledge of health needs and various approaches to deal with them.

3) To expose students to the disciplines practiced within the health field.

It was explained that the proposal was an outgrowth of the Urban Affairs Conference and, if approved, could fulfill part of the field work course requirement in the allied Health Science Curriculum at Hunter College.

IV. (continued)

Discussion to continue at the next meeting.

V. The meeting adjourned at 1 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Kanuck
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Secretary

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