

**University of Washington, Tacoma**  
**Curriculum Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday July 24, 2007, 12:45 p.m.**

**Present:** Erica Coe (*ex officio*), Tom Diehm, Emily Ignacio, Patrick Pow (*ex officio*), Brian, Coffey, Sam Chung, Bobbe Miller-Murray (*ex officio*), Jose Rios. **Absent:** Kent Nelson

**1. Minutes from previous meeting**

The minutes from the Committee's previous meeting were approved.

**2. Announcements**

- a. Jose is getting a final confirmation of due dates for 07-08 submissions from Seattle. He will send that on to Program Administrators when it is finalized.
- b. Sam will be gone on Family Leave in Autumn quarter. Orlando will need to appoint a temporary replacement for him.
- c. Ruth Rea will be the new representative from Nursing starting in Autumn quarter.

**3. Course Applications**

TURB 335: Approved with revisions to grading scales. Brian will follow this up and get revised syllabus directly to Jose.

TESC 111: Approved with request for clarification of what constitutes a "homework assignment" under the late-assignments section of the syllabus. Emily will follow this up and return the syllabus directly to Jose.

TESC 215: Approved.

TCSIUS 222: Approved.

TIBCUS 251: Approved.

TCORE 100: This is a resubmission. There are still some concerns with the Participation section. The first paragraph needs to be rewritten for correct grammar. The second paragraph should be stricken as it implies that grades are dependent on attendance. Jose will follow this up with the General Education office. Approved with appropriate changes as noted above.

TINTL 300: Approved.

**4. Discussion Items**

- a. Erica provided a paragraph to be added to Curriculum Committee's service statements webpage. With slight alteration of wording, Jose will ask Jamie to post it on the website.
- b. There is a General Education transcription issue related to the University's computer system's inability to split out the Gen Ed categories when they are combined in a 10-credit class. The solution described by Bobbe is for the registration for these 10-credit core courses to be changed into two *linked* 5-credit courses. One could not register for one without registering for the other. This would allow appropriate credit assignment to Gen Ed categories at the point of transcription.
- c. There is an issue related to how foreign language is credited. The community colleges give both Proficiency and VLPA credits for basic foreign language courses. The UWS does not recognize this for transfer students to its campus, but UWT does. It is the recommendation of the Curriculum Committee that UWT no longer allow basic language courses to be counted for VLPA credit, rather that they be counted for Proficiency only. Jose will send Mike Kalton of the Academic Policy committee a memo stating this for their consideration and action.
- d. The issue of programs accepting more than 90 credits of community college transfer credit was brought up. The existing policy which requires individual programs to accept more than 90 credits (up to 135) of transfer credit will be examined by the Program Directors at their next meeting on Thursday, August 2. Jose will try to attend that meeting and will consult with Marcily Brown and have her attend as well. It is the consensus of the Committee that this was a plan that was forced on the programs by a previous administrator and that it does not serve the educational needs to UWT students nor the programmatic needs of the campus. Bobbe pointed out that this is also a matter of some urgency as new publications are coming due and we want them to be accurate in terms of what students can plan to transfer in the way of community college credits.

5. Next meeting

Plan to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month with our next meeting planned for October 25. If a meeting needs to take place before then, or there is a change in schedule, Jose will send out a message to everyone.

The meeting adjourned at 1:40.

Respectfully submitted,

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Committee Member