Academic Council Minutes  
November 17, 2010

The Academic Council met Wednesday, November 17, 2010, in the Clark Student Center Kiowa Room. Voting members in attendance were:
- Dr. Matthew Capps, Dean, West College of Education
- Dr. David Carlston, Faculty Senate Vice President
- Dr. Rodney Cate, Interim Dean, College of Science and Mathematics
- Dr. Ron Fischli, Dean, Lamar D. Fain College of Fine Arts
- Dr. Patti Hamilton, Graduate School Dean
- Dr. Barb Nemecek, Dean, Dillard College of Business Administration
- Dr. Susy Sportsman, Dean, College of Health Sciences and Human Services
- Dr. Sam Watson, Dean, Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences
- Mr. Shawn Conner, Student Government Association Vice-President

Other attendees:
- Ms. Naoma Clark, Director, Academic Support Center
- Dr. Robert Clark, Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness
- Dr. Mark Farris, Director, Honors Program
- Mr. Nick Gipson, Academic Advisor, Dillard College of Business Administration
- Dr. Keith Lamb, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
- Dr. Clara Latham, University Librarian
- Ms. Barbara Lunce for Ms. Darla Inghlish, Registrar
- Ms. Barb Merkle, Director, Admissions
- Ms. Pam Midgett for Ms. Linda Knox, Staff Senate Representative
- Mr. Matthew Park, Director, Student Development and Orientation
- Dr. Benito Velasquez, Chair, Athletic Training and Exercise Physiology

Dr. Alisa White, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, presided. The meeting began at 2 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. White called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 15th and October 20, 2010, meetings. Dr. Capps made a motion that the minutes be adopted, Dr. Hamilton seconded, and the motion was adopted. (closed)

Old Business

There being no Old Business to discuss, the Council moved on to New Business.

New Business

1. Dr. Keith Lamb, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, presented information on a new freshman transition program initiative that is being developed through Student Affairs. This will offer new students to MSU an opportunity to become familiar with other new students and programs of MSU, Wichita Falls, and the surrounding areas. Council members were asked to review the handout provided and contact Dr. Lamb if they would be interested in supporting this program with ideas for community and service related workshops or field trips. This would be a
great tool in helping students adjust to college life and possible retention opportunities.  
*Information item; no vote required.*

2. Dr. Nemecek made a motion to adopt the following undergraduate course and catalog changes; *Dr. Hamilton seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted (closed).*

Under Requirements for Majors in Business Administration (page 112), the College proposes deletion of the following paragraph, effective Spring 2011:

Students pursuing a B.B.A. degree with any major must take a minimum of 40 percent of their semester hours outside the Dillard College of Business Administration.  Dillard College of Business Administrations courses are listed as ACCT, BUAD, ECON, FINC, LSBA, MGMT, MIS, and MKTG; however, ECON 2333 and ECON 2433 may be counted as work outside the Dillard College of Business Administration when making this calculation.

3. Dr. Cate made a motion to adopt the following undergraduate course and catalog change; *Dr. Capps seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted (closed).*

Geosciences – effective spring 2011
*Eliminate the B. A. degree in Geosciences.* This degree was created long ago to attract students who are not strong in mathematics to the program. Currently students are not advised to take the degree as it is not robust, lacking Calculus courses and the Field Geology course (GEOS 3836).  There is only one student presently pursuing this degree.

4. Dr. Cate made a motion to adopt the following undergraduate course and catalog change; *Dr. Nemecek seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted (closed).*

Geosciences – effective Spring 2011
*Eliminate the requirement of a minor for Geosciences majors.* The elimination of a minor will help reduce the number of credit hours required for graduation (126 vs. 134), aligning the department with the university goal of 120 hours to graduate. Waiving the minor will also make the major more robust in that students will be required to take courses that were electives: Applied Geomorphology (GEOS 3734), Groundwater Hydrology (GEOS 4233), and either Oceanography (GEOS 3034) or Petroleum Geology (GEOS 4034)

5. Dr. Cate made a motion to adopt the following undergraduate course and catalog change; *Dr. Capps seconded and the motion was opened for discussion.  Due to minor changes needing to be made to update the degree plan, Dr. Cate requested that this item be revised and sent to the Council for an electronic vote.  The voting members of the Council were sent the updated version electronically and voted adoption of the changes on December 11, 2010.  (closed)*

**GEOSCIENCES**

*Delete all information under “A program of study leading to the Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major in Geosciences”.*  *It is being proposed that the B.A. degree in Geosciences be discontinued.*

A program of study leading to the Bachelor of Science Degree in Geosciences:

General: (see page 89)
Academic Foundations and Core Curriculum: (see page 91)

Major
GEOS 1134, 1234, \textbf{3034 or 4034}, 3134, 3234, 3434, 3534, 3634, \textbf{3734}, 3836, 4001, \textbf{4233}, 4534.
## Minor- delete; no minor required

Program Requirements
CHEM 1141, 1143, 1241, 1243; PHYS 1144, 1244 or 1624, 2644; MATH 1634 and 1734; one year of a single foreign language

## Requirements for an Interdisciplinary Minor- delete; no minor required

Midwestern State University Department of Geosciences
Degree Plan: Geosciences Major, B.S. (NEW)

Name: _______________________________________________________________________________
(last)                                                                             (first)                                           (MI)
Catalog year: _____________________________                Student ID# __________________________

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Sem. Hrs. 50   Sem. Hrs. 38   Sem. Hrs. 38 or 39

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS** 123 or 124  **TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS** 42

If transfer courses have been accepted, please include paperwork verifying transfer credits.
Total transfer hours __________
APPROVALS:

Advisor                                             Chair, Major                                    Chair, Minor

Dean                                                 Student                                               Date

6. Dr. Hamilton made a motion to adopt the following graduate course and catalog changes;
   *Dr. Capps seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted (closed).*
**Education (effective Spring 2011)**

New program addition in Counseling, Kinesiology, and Special Education:

Master of Education in School Counseling and Master of Arts in Counseling degrees:
Addition of a NEW course to the requirements for both majors:
- COUN 5363. Multicultural Counseling
  Prerequisites: COUN 5203 and COUN 6013.
  Development of counseling skills and strategies based upon the special needs and characteristics of culturally and ethnically diverse clients.
  3(3-0)
  **Rationale:** Addition of course will help Program meet CACREP standards.

Change Electives for both majors from:
- From Plus six (6) semester hours
- To Plus three (3) semester hours

Change prerequisites:
- COUN 5223. Career Development Counseling
  Add Prerequisite: COUN 5203

- COUN 5243. Group Counseling
  Add Prerequisite: COUN 5203 and COUN 5273

- COUN 5283, Theories and Techniques of Counseling II
  Change Prerequisites to include: Must have completed 24 hours including COUN 5203, COUN 5243, COUN 5263, COUN 5273, COUN 5303, COUN 5363, and COUN 6013

- COUN 5293. Practicum in Counseling
  Change Prerequisites to include: Must have completed 39 hours, including COUN 5273, COUN 5283, and COUN 5253

**Exercise Physiology (effective Spring 2011)**

New Course Addition:
- EXPH 5083. The Science Behind Injury & Rehabilitation.
  Prerequisites: Graduate Student status or Exercise Physiology Graduate Coordinator Permission.
  Description: Integrating and incorporating knowledge of the human body in response to injury of the physically active individual. There will be a specific focus on evidenced based practice rehabilitation techniques that are typically underutilized.
  Lecture 3(3-0)

**Lagniappe**

- Dr. Capps reported that he had recently received a legislative update for Education with a proposal to eliminate

- Dr. Fischli announced that they have a website up with an events calendar listing all the activities that the college offers including a ceramic exhibit with Don Wright, schedule of the play

- Dr. Watson reported that the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Committee met and is working on a draft survey of topic selections for campus input. Once a topic has been selected, the Committee will work on developing an action plan.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Schulte, Assistant to the Provost