



First Year Programs & Learning Community (FYP&LC)  
Faculty Courses and Curriculum Oversight Board  
University of Connecticut  
October 22, 2014  
Rowe 234  
11:00AM-12:30PM

**Members:** Steve Zinn, Scott Brown, Stephen Dyson, Ron Sabatelli, Jaci Vanheest, Freidemann Weidauer, Robert McCarthy, Tom Deans

**Ex Officio Members:** Dave Ouimette, Shawna Lesseur, Maria Martinez, Melissa Foreman, Amanda MacTaggart

- PRESENT
- ABSENT

## Agenda

### I. Review of Minutes

- a. Motion to review and approve minutes (S. Brown)

### II. Administrative Updates

- a. Service Learning (SL) Designation
  - i. Overview of rationale and process (S. Lesseur). Courses currently featuring this designation (D. Ouimette)
- b. Customized FYE Textbook, Instructor Manual, and Peer Leadership Manual
  - i. History of project and overview given. (S. Lesseur)
  - ii. Rationale for using material from others (McCarthy). Time and resources of department prevents publication of own book at this time. (S. Lesseur)
  - iii. Projected cost? Has an e-book been considered (S. Brown) \$20. eBook will not save students money. There will be an instructor version and a Peer Mentor Version (S. Lesseur)
- c. Major Events:
  - i. 2014 FYE Thank You Breakfast, Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 8:00-10:00 (S. Lesseur)
  - ii. 2015 Curricular Conference, May 12<sup>th</sup> IM Lunch and May 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00-4:30 Conference If Cuseo's text is chosen to customize, he will be the Keynote at this event. (S. Lesseur)

### III. New 1820 Instructor Review

- a. Douglas Pence, "Introduction to American Military History"
  - i. Overview of the history of the course and those it was approved for (Khris Perry & Kevin Evringham). D. Pence seeking approval to teach course. Overview of background/qualifications given. D. Pence stated he will teach the syllabus as was approved by the committee in 2013. Committee discussed and recommended that further meetings and discussions to clarify the course and instructor qualifications take place with D. Pence & K. Perry and the FYP&LC Office.

### IV. 1820 Course Review for Spring 2014

- a. "Exploring the Many Paths of Psychology," Sarah Scheidel
  - i. Overview of instructor, course, attached learning outcomes, & projects. (S Lesseur) Discussion of criteria for selecting students (S. Zinn). Suggestions of removal of permission and instead listing as "For Psych Majors only" Motion to Approve with change (R. McCarthy) Seconded (S. Brown) Motion Passed unanimously.
- b. "Developing the Counselor in You," Leo Lachut

- i. Overview of instructor, course, attached learning outcomes, & projects. (S. Lesseur)  
Motion to approve (J. VanHeest) Seconded (R. McCarthy). Motion passed unanimously.

**V. 3820 Course Review**

- a. "UConn Almanac," Brigid Belko – Eco House
  - i. Overview of instructor, course, attached learning outcomes, & major project. (S. Lesseur) Committee discussion centered on bringing in an expert on literature and literary critique (S. Zinn) added discussion on historical analysis of environmental changes (F. Weidauer) Discussion regarding level of work for 1-credit course (S. Brown) Clarifications of readings and work attached (S. Zinn). Suggestion to clarify course through improved course title (F. Weidauer) Committee recommends instructor seek out support from English Dept. and History Dept for overlapping content. Motion to approve with suggestion. (R McCarthy) Second (F. Weidauer). Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

**VI. Future Items**

- a. Instructor Professional Development Recognition
- b. Service Learning (SL) Designation
- c. FYE Textbooks and Manual
- d. 2015 Curricular Conference

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 11:00-12:30 in Rowe 234