

**Minutes**  
**Meeting of the Faculty Council**  
**November 21, 2014, 9:00 a.m., Pafford 111**

1. Call to order 9:05 a.m.

In attendance: Greg Dixon, Soo Moon, Brad Yates, Tom Hunter, Pam Hunt Kirk, Ashley Smallwood, Jeanette Diaz, Winston Tripp, Mike Johnson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve minutes from October 2014 meeting; seconded; approved unanimously. Minutes kept on FC website:

[http://www.westga.edu/coss/index\\_172.php](http://www.westga.edu/coss/index_172.php)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Dean's Evaluation Committee -**

- a. Anthropology: Ashley Smallwood
- b. Criminology: Mike Johnson
- c. Mass Communications: Brad Yates (Faculty Council Selection)
- d. Psychology: Don Rice (Admin Council Selection)
- e. Sociology: Pam Kirk
- f. Political Science: Paul Rutledge or Heather Mbaye \* - **FC voted to elect Paul Rutledge as the Political Science representative for the Evaluation Committee**

**FC voted to approve the following members for the Dean's Evaluation Committee: Ashley Smallwood, Mike Johnson, Brad Yates, Don Rice, Pam Kirk, and Paul Rutledge.**

**2. Psychology Major Requirement Change** (proposed reduced foreign language requirement). **As in the past, the FC strongly supports the Psychology Department's desire to make amendments to the Bachelor of Arts foreign language requirements. As a result, we will draft a statement to indicate this support.**

**3. Course and Program Modifications**

*COURSES*

COMM 4486 Internship – modifying course description details of restrictions that students often miss when registering for an internship (clarification so that restrictions are listed [e.g., must be junior, have a certain major GPA, and certain number of upper-level courses completed] rather than only prerequisites listed).

**Approved**

CRIM 4278 – course deletion; hasn't been taught in many years; topics covered in other courses

Approved

CRIM 4286 Internship – modifying course prerequisites to remove Theory and Methods as necessary before registering for internship. As is, blocks students from having time for internship (makes them wait until they are a second semester senior and time runs out to find internship and serve).

Approved

#### PROGRAMS

CRIM – modify program to delete lower division social science requirement (ANTH 1102, PSYC 1101, SOCI 1160) and instead require that majors take CRIM 2000 plus four of several listed CRIM courses (see attachment to modification).

AND

to modify the upper division non-criminology course requirement to read that those 12 hours can be in Criminology or other disciplines, as long as they are 3000 or 4000 level.

Approved

COMM – modify program so that majors take a maximum of 3 credit hours of COMM that will count toward minor requirement. As it stands, some minors for which COMM students are enrolled allow x hours of COMM, but for accreditation purposes, COMM majors should be limited in COMM hours in order to get experience outside the major.

Approved

#### **4. Hooding Ceremony for Graduate Students**

Restructuring current graduation ceremony would be preferable to separate hooding ceremony. Perhaps recognition of graduate students as distinct from undergraduates.

#### **OLD BUSINESS –**

##### **1. College Student Conduct Code**

Department feedback from each FC member will be submitted via FC listserv by December 5, 2014

- 2. Subcommittees (Planning, Academic Affairs, Faculty Development)** will meet prior to end of Fall 2014 semester and submit short report to all FC members. This meeting will be to prepare for FC Spring 2015 agendas. Reports due by December 12, 2014.

Date of next meeting will be January 2015.

Move to adjourn at 10:38am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Hunt Kirk

