5 May 2022

To: Faculty Senate

From: Peter Chaillé, Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

RE: 2021-22 Annual Report to Faculty Senate

#### **Member Information**

Chair: Peter Chaillé (PA)

Members: Ingrid Anderson (COE), Nike Arnold (CLAS-AL), Todd Bodner (CLAS-SS), Richard Campbell (MCECS), Chuck Dillard (COTA), Jeff Gerwing (CLAS-SCI), Christina Gildersleeve-Neumann (CLAS-SS), Randi Harris (AO), Staci Martin (SSW), Andrew Rice (CLAS-SCI), Wanying (Eva) Shi, Albert (Randy) Spencer (CLAS-AL), Kerry Wu (Lib), Belinda Zeidler (SPH)

Note: No representative from the OI division was identified this year.

Consultants: Andreen Morris (OAA), Pam Wagner (RO)

# **Charge of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**

This committee shall consist of six Faculty members from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (two from each of its divisions); one Faculty member from each of the other divisions; and two students. Consultants shall include the following or their representatives: The Provost, the principal administrative officer with oversight of undergraduate studies, and a member of the Office of Institutional Research & Planning. The Committee shall:

- Make recommendations, in light of existing policies and traditions, to the Senate concerning the approval of all new courses and undergraduate programs referred to it by divisional curriculum or other committees.
- Coordinate with the Graduate Council to bring forward recommendations to the Senate regarding new proposals for and changes to 400/500-level courses so that decisions regarding both undergraduate and graduate credits can be made at the same Senate meeting.
- Make recommendations to the Senate concerning substantive changes to existing programs and courses referred to it by other committees.
- Review, at its own initiative or at the request of appropriate individuals or faculty committees, existing undergraduate programs and courses with regard to quality and emphasis. Suggest needed undergraduate program and course changes to the various divisions and departments.
- Develop and recommend policies concerning curriculum at the University.
- Act, in all matters pertaining to policy, in liaison with the chairpersons of appropriate committees.

- Suggest and refer to the Senate, after consideration by the Academic Requirements Committee, modifications in the undergraduate degree requirements.
- Advise the Senate concerning credit values of undergraduate courses.
- Report on its activities at least once each year to the Senate, including a list of programs and courses reviewed and approved.

# **Curricular Proposals Reviewed**

In the 2021-22 academic year the committee will have convened 10 times, on the dates shown below, to review program and course proposals and to discuss additional issues related to the charge of the committee. The full text for any approved course or program proposal, as well as Budget Committee comments on new and change-to-existing program proposals, may be accessed in the Online Curriculum Management System (OCMS) Archive (https://pdx.smartcatalogiq.com/en/Curriculum-Management-System/Dashboard/Archived-Proposals).

## Meeting Dates

- Fall 2021
  - 0 10/11/2021
  - 0 10/25/2021
  - 0 11/8/2021
  - o 12/6/2021
- Winter 2022
  - o 1/24/2022
  - o 2/7/2022
  - o 3/7/2022
- Spring 2022
  - o 4/4/2022
  - o 4/18/2022
  - o 5/2/2022

## Number of Courses and Programs Reviewed

- New degree program: 0
- New certificate program: 2
- New minor: 0
- Changes to existing programs: 34
- Elimination of existing programs: 2
- New prefixes: 2
- New courses: 71
- Changes to existing courses:147
- Drop existing courses: 25

# **Additional Activities Related to the Committee Charge**

- Peter Chaillé represented the UCC on the Ad-Hoc Committee on Academic Program Reduction and Curricular Adjustments. The work is ongoing, and reports are included in the monthly Faculty Senate packets.
- Coordinated with the Graduate Council on creating a new checklist for reviewers and communicating to department, school, and college curriculum committees.
- Provided feedback on a proposal from the Academic Requirement Committee and anticipate revisiting a revised proposal next academic year.

#### **Recommendations for Future Work:**

- Holistic review of inclusive curriculum and pedagogy work across all programs and departments.
- Coordination with departments and OAA on work related to common course numbering mandated by Senate Bill 233.