



The York College Senate
Meeting of Tuesday, September 29, 2015
Senate Plenary - 12:30pm
Room 2M04

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
 2. Approval of Minutes: May 12, 2015
 3. Introductions
 4. Election of Officers
 - Vice Chair
 - Secretary
 - Parliamentarian
 5. President's Report
 - Review of the Charter – highlight new committees
 - Governance
 - Resources
 - College Updates
 - Dean Banrey: status of Disabled Student Services and LGBT Services
 - VP Thomas: status of the Facilities; Public Safety; and Budget
 6. Student Caucus Report
 7. Faculty Caucus Report
 8. Committee Reports
 - Committee on College Curriculum
- i. Earth and Physical Sciences** (pp. 1-8)
- i.1. *New course: ASTR 204 "Methods of Scientific Research"* (pp. 2-6)
Rigorous introduction to conducting scientific research in STEM fields. Course developed in partnership with federally funded initiatives to strengthen education in STEM disciplines; placed at 200 level to begin building competencies necessary to excel in mentored group and independent research in third and fourth years of study.
 - i.2. *Revision to Astronomy minor* (pp. 7-8)
Adds ASTR 204, research methods, as an option for the minor. Updates nomenclature and formatting of text. Number of required and elective credits, and total number of credits for minor, remain unchanged.
- ii. Performing and Fine Arts** (pp. 9-58)
- ii.1. *New Course: CT 160, "User Experience Design"* (pp. 10-15)
A new foundation course for the Communications Technology major that integrates multiple disciplines into the research, design, and evaluation of how users interact with communication technology.
 - ii.2. Course Changes:
 - ii.2.1. *CT 201, "Foundations in Communication Technology"* (pp. 16-22)
Makes course permanently writing intensive.
 - ii.2.2. *CT 205, "Principles of the Moving Image"* (pp. 23-29)
Makes course permanently writing intensive.
 - ii.2.3. *CR 345, "Introduction to Motion Graphics"* (pp. 30-31)
Updates prereqs.
 - ii.2.4. *CT 360, "Web Design I"* (pp. 32-33)
Updates prereqs.

- ii.2.5. *CT 370, "Web Development I"* (pp. 34-39)
Updates prereqs. Updates course description to account for recent developments in the field.
- ii.2.6. *CT 385, "Web Development II"* (pp. 40-45)
Updates prereqs. Updates course description to account for recent developments in the field.
- ii.3. *Revision to Communication Technology Major* (pp. 46-47)
The revised major design includes the removal of the discontinued course AC 101, updates two course titles, and small changes to course options within the foundation and concentrations. Total credits required for major is now the same for either concentration: 46.
- ii.4. *Revision to Communication Technology minor* (p. 48)
The revised minor design includes the removal of the discontinued course AC 101, updates two course titles, and small changes to course options within the foundation and concentrations. Total credits required for minor remains unchanged: 15.
- ii.5. *New Course: TA 201, "Shakespeare: From Script to Screen"* (pp. 49-58)
New course offers an introductory survey of Shakespeare's plays along with an analysis of a range of the film versions made from them. Previously offered as a special topics course.
- iii. Chemistry** (pp. 59-62)
 - iii.1. *Revision to Chemistry Major* (pp. 59-62)
Physics courses, which were previously hidden prerequisites in the major, are now made explicit for transparency in advertising to students for registration and financial aid.
- iv. Accounting and Finance** (pp. 63-77)
 - iv.1. Course Changes
 - iv.1.1. *ACC 101, "Principles of Accounting I"* (pp. 63-66)
These changes serve to bring the curriculum into alignment with a CUNY-wide initiative to allow for easier transferring among campuses. Cash and receivables have always been a component of this course and are now formally included. Fixed assets are moved to Accounting 102 and current liabilities are added.
 - iv.1.2. *ACC 102, "Principles of Accounting II"* (pp. 67-71)
These changes serve to bring the curriculum into alignment with a CUNY-wide initiative to allow for easier transferring among campuses.
 - iv.1.3. *ACC 238, "Fraud Examination"* (pp. 72-77)
To update Acc. 238 to include the Acc. 103 course as a prerequisite. The department feels that the student that takes either Acc. 102 or Acc. 103 has the necessary skills to successfully complete Acc. 238. Offering this course in an online hybrid format will give students more flexibility in fulfilling requirements.
- v. Foreign Languages, ESL & Humanities** (pp. 78-87)
 - v.1. *New Course: HUM 105, "The Changing Depiction of the Family in American Popular Culture"* (pp. 78-84)
Examines contemporary debates about the American family through the lens of popular media will allow students to not only become acquainted with the terms and methods of film and television criticism, but will allow them to engage in critical thinking by studying both the sociological and demographic shifts in actual society, and the representations of these shifts in media and what these representations signify.

v.2. *Revision to Women's Studies minor*

(pp. 85-87)

The proposed change adds more options by including in the Minor courses recently created in the field of study. This proposal is also necessary in order to remove courses that are not offered anymore. The Minor will maintain the same number of credits and hours as in the existing curriculum.

9. Old Business
10. New Business
11. Adjournment

Fall 2015 Meeting Schedule:

October 27, 2015

November 24, 2015

December 8, 2015

All meetings will be held in room 2M04 at 12:30pm