

ED POL Minutes 11/1

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- Approve minutes from 10/18/17
APPROVED

Anne gave an update on the faculty meeting and various actions that took place there.

Middle States is a serious process, and we are going into a review not in the best shape. This is unfortunate because many people have worked hard to prepare. When faculty are not willing to comply with Middle States, such as the items outlined by Jennifer Jensen, we are not putting ourselves in a good light for review. This includes the fact that the faculty refuses to have compliance with Middle States in R&P. If we are not accredited, we will not be eligible for federal funding.

People at the faculty meeting felt that it shouldn't have to be in R&P. That is the same as giving the accrediting body the right to tell us how to do things.

Anne and Jennifer are going to discuss it further.

- Faculty teaching Close Relatives
Reviewed Guidelines on Faculty Instruction of Children and Close Relatives, which will go into R&P. The committee discussed language and made some changes. Anne will send out the final language and Ed Pol will vote at the next meeting.
- Other Sections of section 3 to be addressed:
 - 3.10.1 Scholastic Probation
Revision of the probation policy was discussed. The current probation penalizes students who bring in transfer credits. Are the GPA cut-offs for reinstatement appropriate? The faculty reviewed the gpa policy at other universities to ascertain whether we should use a similar figure.

The committee agreed to use a 2.0 gpa threshold for probation in all grade levels.

Committee voted in favor of taking this change to Faculty Steering Committee for a first reading at the faculty meeting

- 3.7.3.2 Make-up Exams
Revision of the makeup exam policy was discussed. Does this take away from a faculty member's prerogative to allow a makeup final exam in case of a student being unable to take an exam due to a legitimate reason? No, but the student should still submit a petition for a makeup exam so that it's official.

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- Other sections of section 3 to be addressed:
 - 3.1.4 – Transfer credit
 - 3.1.4.1 – Credit for Lehigh Abroad Sponsored Programs (not substantive)
 - 3.1.4.2 – Undergraduate Leave of Absence
 - 3.1.5 – Full Time undergraduate student
 - 3.2.4 – Roster of Studies
 - 3.2.5 – Attendance
Revision of the attendance policy was discussed. The language of this section will be improved and brought back to the committee for discussion.
 - 3.3.2 – Designated course system with pass-fail grading

- 3.4 - Auditors
- 3.6 Provisional Courses
- 3.7.2 – Hour exams
- 3.8.1 Definition of Grades
- 3.8.2 – Incomplete (N grade)
- 3.8.3 – Absent from the final examination
- 3.8.6 – Grade reports
- 3.11.1 – Graduation honors
- 3.12 – Petitions
- 3.12.2 – Substitution and Anticipatory Exams (Not sure this is the process followed)
- 3.12.3 Petition to Waive Requirement
- 3.14.5.1 Apprentice Teaching
- 3.20.1 Requirements for graduation (not substantive)
- 3.20.1.1 – Second baccalaureate degree
- 3.20.3 – Transcripts of Record

Ashley Baker will be at the next Ed Pol meeting to ask questions about the Presidential Scholarships.

meeting adjourned at 4:15.

next meeting Wednesday, November 15 UC 408