

Discovery Committee Minutes, October 23, 2024 (Zoom)

Present: Nicky Gullace (chair), Sachiko Akiyama, Lara Demarest, Maeve Dion, Meaghan Dittrich, Roger Grinde, Lisa MacFarlane, Greg McMahon, Timothy Montminy, Wendy Pothier, Forrest Schwartz, Laura Upham

Absent: Chris Bauer, Tammy Conrad, Catherine Pebbles, Dina Rathke

I. Welcome and Announcements

II. Action Items

- Minutes

Motion: Timothy Montminy moved and Chris Bauer seconded approval of the October 9, 2024, meeting minutes.

Vote: Yes 5, No 0, Abstain 1. **Minutes approved.**

- Student Petitions

1. Request to allow UNH course GEOG 670: Climate & Society to satisfy ETS.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0, Abstain 0. **Petition approved.** (qccola101624)

2. Request to waive WC due to living in Iran.

Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 0. **Petition approved.** (mzcolsa102124)

3. Request to UNH course MEFB 403 Investigative Marine Bio Lab to satisfy BS.

Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 0. **Petition approved.** (crceps102224)

- Course Approvals

1. LLC 525: Topics in World Cultures – WC/INQ/WI (new course)

Motion: Timothy Montminy moved & Greg McMahon seconded the approval of LLC 525 for WC

Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 0. **Course approved for WC.**

Motion: Lisa MacFarlane moved & Timothy Montminy seconded the approval of LLC 525 for WI

Vote: Yes 8, No 0, Abstain 0. **Course approved for WI.**

Motion: Timothy Montminy moved & Greg McMahon seconded the approval of LLC 525 for INQ

Vote: Yes 6, No 0, Abstain 0. **Course approved for INQ.**

III. Discussion

- The committee noticed the CIM form does not ask for enrollment. Lara will reach out to Kristin Bolton at the RO regarding this.
- IDEA attribute: Lisa, as co-chair of the APC, updated the DC on the implementation plan. It has been pushed to fall 2026 because there is not enough time to get enough courses/seats approved for fall 2025. The APC is proposing to pilot small in-person workshops for faculty to meet and receive guidance on submitting their courses for approval. A goal would be to have all colleges represented at these workshops. If successful, this can be a model for implementing bigger changes to Discovery/general education curriculum.

Maeve asked if there are example syllabi for reference. Nicky advised a syllabus template is something we have been asking for/working on for a while, but progress has been slow.

There was discussion regarding CPS-O's general education requirements, which are different than Durham's and CPS-M's. CPS-O maintained their own curriculum and will not implement the IDEA requirement at this time.

Tim shared that COLSA has an IDEA committee and is looking forward to submitting courses for approval. They will be very interested in these workshops.

Next Meeting November 6, 2024

Meeting adjourned 1:35 pm