

## EPC Minutes 9/11/2023

Jim Barber, Candice Benjes-Small, Annie Blazer, Ben Boone, Myriam Cotten, Jim Deverick, Cathy Forestell, Michael Gaines, Brennan Harris, Oliver Kerscher, Van Monday, Christy Porter, Denise Ridley-Johnson, Cory Springer, Nivedha Vaidy, Megha Vasudevan

Alana Davis, Registrar, will attend meetings but was traveling today.

1. Approval of minutes from May 8, 2023  
Minutes approved.
2. Consent calendar

BIOL 432/432L	Animal Physiology	course change
ECON 323	Economics of Climate Change	new course
History	Undergraduate minor update	curr change

Consent calendar approved.

3. Other proposals

BIOL 498	Internship in Biology	new course, DELINK
CHIN 303	Building Qianlong's World: Historical and Cultural Study through Game Development	C200 ALV=CSI
CHIN 303	Building Qianlong's World: Historical and Cultural Study through Game Development	C300
INTR NEW	Oral History	C200 CSI>ALV

### **BIOL 498**

A question was raised on the delinking, as numbers in the Curriculog narrative didn't sum as expected. Most courses have already moved through the delinking process, so going forward, delinking will not need separate consideration through a form and an EPC vote. The fact that a course is delinked will be mentioned in the Curriculog comments only.

As it was not on the consent calendar, however, BIOL 498 went to a vote and was approved as a new course and delinked.

BIOL 498 is approved.

### **CHIN 303, COLL 200 designation**

This course was in Curriculog this week for both consideration as a COLL 200 (ALV and CSI in equal weight) and COLL 300. Although both seminar and lecture are checked on the Curriculog form, it will be designated as only one of those. COLL 200s tend to be lectures. The syllabus is briefly reviewed to affirm it contains sufficient language describing the COLL 200 and COLL 300 designations.

CHIN 303 approved as a COLL 200.

### **CHIN 303, COLL 300 designation**

The members discuss whether the speakers match the COLL 300 goals of having "lived experience," as they are US-based academics and experts in this field. This may feel like a backward slide or weakening of the COLL 300 goals. The Chair notes the catalog entry on COLL 300 says certain courses lend themselves to academic speakers, rather than speakers with lived experience. Ben offers that EPC has considered this in the recent past in more historical courses when lived experience is not possible, and the best idea is to include field work as lived experience. Ben will contact the professor for additional information on the speakers, but in the meantime, EPC votes and approves this course as a COLL 300.

CLA will be reviewing all COLL in the future starting next week. Cory says new proposals will go to CLA but there may be a few already in Curriculog may come to EPC.

CHIN 303 approved as a COLL 300.

### **INTR NEW Oral History**

A question is asked regarding why it's an INTR course or a course at all, as it arises from a related Mellon grant. Ben suggests the course might be best if designated HIST or AMST and notes a need to limit INTRs because they are defined very generally. A lack of detail in the syllabus, especially in terms of the readings is discussed.

This course doesn't yet have a course number, although there is a topics number for INTR courses. Because this is to be taught by a post-doc, EPC may not wish to approve it for a permanent number. Ben will check how Mellon grant courses work and the course approval process will be paused so Ben can consider a departmental home for it, and perhaps leave it as a special topic there.

## **OTHER ITEMS**

Jim is congratulated and thanked for taking on the role of Chair.

For the interested, Jim has a spreadsheet on EPC activities/approvals from the summer of 2023 and will make it available.

Announcements and upcoming projects for EPC

- KINE will submit changes to its curriculum to EPC next week so it can get to SCHEV.
- The CLA will identify areas of interest and major projects over the year. This may include a review of COLL 200s which will be a large project.
- Cory will update the membership of subcommittees on Curriculog.
- Jim will release the EPC agenda on Monday mornings. Members have the end of week and weekend to review Curriculog proposals.
- Members are cautioned about including EPC member Jim Barber, not James P. Barber, student, in emails.