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2020-2021 Annual Report of the Committee on Courses of Instruction
Committee on Courses of Instruction

In fulfilling its charge as established by the Bylaws for the Berkeley Division of the Academic Senate, the COCI carried out the following activities during the 2020-2021 academic year. Professor Estelle Tarica (Spanish and Portuguese) served as chair.

Note: Items are listed chronologically in each section. Dates, unless otherwise noted, indicate the date of correspondence.

I. Actions on Course and Instructor Approvals, Variance Requests, Degree Conferrals, and Course Codes

A. Reviewed and Approved 733 changes to campus courses, including new offerings and modifications. As authorized by COCI, Senate staff approved another 826 proposals for minor modifications and withdrawals. This included courses that were updated to comply with the new Flexible Scheduling formats to indicate a course meets in the already approved online or in-person formats, and the combination of in-person and already approved equivalent “W” Web-Based Courses. In total, 1,559 courses and modifications were approved.

B. Reviewed and approved 9 new UCB Extension courses (with instructors), and 99 new instructor/course pairings. They also reviewed and denied 0 new instructor/course pairings.

C. Reviewed 51 variance request (51 approved, 0 denied, 0 pend), including 4 Acting Instructor-Graduate Student requests and 13 grade grievances.

D. Reviewed approximately 557 student-facilitated course proposals (spring and fall 2021).

E. Conferred degrees and honors on behalf of the Academic Senate for summer 2020, fall 2020, and spring 2021.

F. Approved the creation of the following new course codes:
   - CalTeach – EDSTEM
   - Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures – MELC
   - Ancient Greek and Roman Studies – AGRS
   - Study of Religion – STRELIG
II. Finished Business

A. Completed with Written Comment

- COCI Statement on Fall 2021 Instruction and Planning
  *Action taken 3/12/21, statement disseminated via CalMessage*

B. Completed without Written Comment

- Remote Final Exams
  *Discussions took place on 10/02/2020, 10/16/2020, 10/30/2020. The final report was presented on 12/11/2020.*

- Online Education and ADA Compliance
  *Discussed on 11/13/2020 and 12/11/2020*

- Flexible Scheduling Proposal for Course Management System
  *Discussed on 11/13/2020 and 1/15/2021*

- Grading Conduct Placeholder
  *Discussion and action 2/12/2021*

- Update COCI Handbook
  - Berkeley Division Regulation A202
    *Action on 2/12/21*
  - Procedure for Grade Appeals Revision
    *Action on 2/12/2021*
  - Flexible Scheduling
    *Action on 8/20/21*

III. COCI Correspondence for Review of Academic Senate Policies and Issues

- Comments on Senate Regulation 630
  *Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 10/20/2020*

- Comments on Senate Regulation 544
  *Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 10/20/2020*

- Comments on Pass/Not Pass (P/NP) Policy Comments from Undergraduate Council
  *Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 10/30/2020*

- Comments on Systemwide Review of the Report of the Online Undergraduate Degree Task Force
Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 11/19/2020

- Comments on Innovative Learning Technology Initiative (ILTI) Review
  Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 2/1/2021

- Comments on Senate Regulation 610 – Residency
  Comments sent to Divisional Chair Johnson-Hanks 3/19/21

IV. Unfinished Business – None