

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Regular Meeting, 15 November 2022, 4:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

ACTION MINUTES

SENATORS PRESENT: J. Albarracin, D. Atherton, S. Bailey, D. Banash, D. Barr, Bellott, M. Bernards, L. Brice, D. Brown, G. Cabedo-Timmons, A. Carr, C. Chadwell, D. Hunter, J. Land, T. Lough, S. Macchi, K. Perone, B. Petrocovi, B. Polley, E. Shupe, B. Thompson, J. Wroblewski, Tang
Ex-officio: Craig Whetten, Parliamentarian

SENATORS ABSENT: L. Ebert Wallace

GUESTS: Jeff Brown, Joe Cantu, Craig Conrad, Katrina Daytner, Dennis DeVolder, Peter Glovicz (G)9.005, Kristina Biddis, Betsy Perabo, Renee Polubinsky, Linda Prosser, Smith,

II. Announcements

A. Approvals from the President and Provost

1. Approvals from the President

- a. Request to change the title of faculty named as Distinguished Faculty Lecturers to Distinguished University Professors.
- b. Request for the previously approved reduction of the GPA gateway for acceptance into the Teacher Education Program for the Elementary Education: Elementary option, Middle Level Program, and Special Education Program to be made retroactive to the beginning of Fall 2022.
- c. Request to allow students transferring in AAS degrees in Early Childhood

2. Approvals from the Provost

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1. Curricular Requests from the Department of Broadcasting and Journalism

a. Request for New Course

i. BC&J 447, Sports and Public Relations, 3 s.h.

Senator Tang thinks this course will be a great addition to the Department of Broadcasting and Journalism and will help with retention. He asked the Chair how this new course will benefit the program. Broadcasting and Journalism Chair Peter Gloviczki said broadcasting and journalism are both growing areas, and he is grateful for the support of colleagues across the university to add this new course to the department's curriculum. He believes this course will serve BC&J students well and provides the opportunity for the department to think about how they want to move forward.

BC&J 447 APPROVED

2. Curricular Requests from the School of Engineering and Technology

a. Request for Change of Major

i. Construction and Facilities Management

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observed that the third proposed course is actually expanding what was formerly a 3 s.h. clinical skills sequence into a 4 s.h. sequence; the same faculty will be teaching those courses, but the content will be spread out over four semesters rather than three.

NEW MUSIC COURSES APPROVED

- b. Request for Change of Option
 - i. Music Therapy

CHANGE OF OPTION APPROVED

4. Curricular Requests from the School of Accounting, Finance, Economics, and Decision Sciences

- a. Request for New Course
 - i. ECON 489, Behavioral Economics, 3 s.h.

Chair Thompson remarked this looks like an interesting course and asked what the school's thinking was about it and where it came from. School of