

Liberal Learning Council Agenda

October 7, 2020

Present: A. Nicolosi (Chair, Faculty), J. Davis (Vice-Chair, Faculty), C. (Kit) Murphy (Associate Provost of Liberal Learning), R. King (Staff), N. Ringer, S., T. Huffman (Faculty), Tomkiel (Staff), A. Srivastava (Student), H. Hustis (Faculty), S. Shong (Student, late)

Not in Attendance: None

Vacant Seats: None

1. Approval of minutes 9/16 meeting
 - a. Approved unanimously
2. Changes to FSP, WRI 101 & 102, and IDS 102 Arising out of Liberal Learning Task Force Recommendations for these courses.
 - a. All items below (A - D) were unanimously approved.
 - A) Change to the course description of FYS (First-Year Seminar) - LLC approved the change of the course prefix from FSP to FYS, but there also need to be some changes to the course titles and description, and adding WRI 102 as prerequisite.
 - B) Change to course descriptions of FYW (First-Year Writing) 101 and 102 - LLC approved the change of the course prefix from WRI to FYW, but there also need to be some changes to the course descriptions (the catalog seems to have an old description).
 - C) Change to IDS 102 - FSP/FYS and IDS 102 would no longer be co-requisites because not all students would take the FSP/FYS in the Fall, but all incoming students would take IDS 102 in the Fall. Also, the course description can be improved.
 - D) Removal of the exemption for WRI 102 based on SAT and ACT because TCNJ is now test optional and because those tests don't predict placement into WRI 102 very well.
3. Proposed change to "Eliminate ALL exemptions for FYW 102 based on SAT, ACT, and AP exams and requiring all entering TCNJ students to take the placement test for FYW."
 - i. Unanimously Approved.
 - ii. Sending to CAP for approval.
4. Discuss the creation of a more user-friendly Liberal Learning searchable database.

- a. Will request consult with Maura Moore and Matt Winkle
- b. Database dream list
 - i. Link through PAWS Academic Requirements for Students
 - ii. Through Liberal Learning website for students and advisors
 - iii. Keyword search
 - iv. Export data from PAWS
 - v. Listing prereqs and frequency of offering and restrictions to particular majors
 - vi. Whether offered in upcoming semesters
 - vii. Option to choose all courses or just those scheduled in upcoming semesters
 - viii. Student enters ID and gets specific results

Meeting adjourned 2:46pm

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