

Faculty Senate President's Report

November 25, 2020

1. Curriculum Approvals

P10295	Graduate Certificate in Advanced Juvenile Justice Studies	New	Approved by FS on 11.10
P10298	Graduate Certificate in Social Justice	New	Approved by FS on 11.10
P10299	Master of Science in Justice Studies	New Major	Approved by FS on 11.10
C10300	Justice Organization, Ethics, and Change (JS 628)	New (Grad)	Approved
C10301	Social Movement, Community Organizing, and Social Justice (JS 629)	New (Grad)	Approved
C10302	Convict Criminology (JS 655)	New (Grad)	Approved
C10303	Justice and Social Justice Theory (JS 658)	New (Grad)	Approved
C10304	Social Problems (JS 659)	New (Grad)	Approved
C10341	Race and Social Justice (CJ 545)	New (Grad)	Approved
C9916	Quantitative Methods in Criminal Justice (CJ 527)	New (Grad)	Approved
P10439	Sports Leadership Minor	Modify	Approved
C10435	First Aid, CPR and Safety (HE 252)	Drop	Approved
C10361	Introduction to Health Data Analysis and Visualization (HE 343)	New	Approved
C10395	U.S. Healthcare System and Health Policy (HE 360)	New	Approved
B10359	MUEN (name)	Bulk title change	Approved
P10324	Computer Science Minor	Modify	Approved
C10233	Advanced Directing II (TA 557) New: Directing II	Modify Title	Approved
C10319	Desktop Publishing and Presentations CSE 530)	Drop	Approved
B10360	MUEN (name)	Modify	Approved

C10376	Creating an Internet Website (CSE 625) New: Curating & Maintaining an Online Identity	Modify	Approved
C10477	Human Rights (PS 594)	New	Approved
C10349	Documenting Society (CA 320)	New to GE	Approved
C10388	Health Disparities and Social Determinants of Health (HE 334)	Modify	Approved
C10400	Western Hemisphere Orchestra (MUEN 162) New: Jazz Orchestra	Modify	Approved
C10401	Orquestra Brasil (MUEN 163) New: Latin Jazz	Modify	Approved
C10456	Biogeography (GEOG 391)	Modify/ Add to GE	Approved
C10372	Emerging Information Technology (LIB 686)	Modify: Prefix	Approved
C10373	Communication Theories (LIB 680)	Modify: Prefix	Approved
C10374	Instructional Design (ED 626)	Modify: Prefix	Approved
C10425	Content Area Literacy (ED 544)	New	Approved
C10483	Professional Project Planning (ED 604)	Modify: Rp	Approved
C10484	Professional Project Implementation (ED 605)	Modify: Rp	Approved

2. Calls for Service

UBAC: The University Budget Advisory Committee (UBAC) is an advisory group consisting of representation from faculty, classified staff, unclassified exempt staff, students and administrators. Committee members are expected to represent their constituencies while applying a university wide perspective to the budget deliberations and recommendations.

- One faculty seat
- Two-year term of service
- Meeting frequency: twice per month (or as needed); 2 hour meetings

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email

fspresident@mail.wou.edu

3. Shared Governance Summit

In the past two years, we've tried to coordinate shared governance meetings on 5th Tuesdays. These meetings have included faculty and staff union presidents, faculty and staff executive committees, ASWOU leadership, and members of the President's cabinet. To make these meetings more predictable and increase attendance, we're going to have them take place on the second Friday of the second month of each term. Our hope is that these meetings will be a place for increased communication and a renewed commitment to shared governance.

The first meeting will take place on Friday, February 12; the topic will be WOU: Salem.

If you have questions about WOU: Salem that you haven't already shared with me, please feel free to email fspresident@mail.wou.edu.

4. Student Health and Counseling

During this time of isolation, pandemic, and online learning, many of our students are struggling with mental health. Students are charged a fee of \$145 to access the Student Health and Counseling center. This fee is charged to students at credit one of a face-to-face or hybrid courses. Students can also opt in if they are taking one online course. Students that are taking all online, asynchronous courses will not have access to these services unless they opt-in and pay the fee.

This term, we had 250 students opt-in to these services. Please keep these details in mind in your syllabi statements, so students know how to get the important support they need!

5. Student Questions About Article 15

We are all stressed and upset about the proposed cuts in the draft Article 15 plan. With the news of these cuts reaching students, many students are reaching out to faculty with questions and concerns about their ability to complete their coursework. Please be kind and thoughtful with our students, so that we don't add to their panic. We want students to remain at WOU. It's important that we reassure them that there is a pathway for them to complete their degrees.

6. Responsible Employees, Mandatory Reporters, and Academic Complaints

As much of our professional lives have transitioned to Zoom, it's important to remember that our reporting protocols still cover behavior we witness in Zoom rooms.

The Office of Academic Affairs maintains a complete catalog of various types of complaints and the appropriate reporting mechanisms. Those can be found here: <https://wou.edu/provost/student-grievances/>

Some helpful definitions:

Academic complaints can be related to areas such as grading, assignments, syllabus related items, program admission, academic advising, and other course-related conduct that impairs learning.

Responsible Employees are those that a student could reasonably believe has the authority or duty to report incidents of sexual misconduct or other student misconduct to the Title IX Officer (Judy Vanderburg). *All faculty are responsible employees.* As such, WOU faculty are *required* to report any information received about a possible violation of Title IX (sexual misconduct, including assault, harassment, stalking, and partner violence) to Judy. Facts about reporting can be found here:

<https://wou.edu/student/sexual-misconduct-resources/faqs-for-faculty/>

Mandatory Reporters are for child abuse. This applies to persons under the age of 18. It is also not tied to our University, specifically; rather, it is an individual obligation we all have simply by virtue of being employed at a university. As such, if any of us see something in the grocery store, the park, or anywhere else, we are obligated under law to report it to DHS or law enforcement. All WOU employees, including faculty, are mandatory reporters !

