

Dragon Core Committee
October 30, 2008

Present: Ellen Brisch, Chairperson, Ben Clapp, Travis Dolence, Jill Frederick, Michael Hughey, Ron Jeppson, Margaret Sankey.

Absent: Laurie Blunsom, Wendy Frappier, Liz Rowse, Jean Sando.

Guests: Ginny Bair, Shawn Soderberg

Agenda Items:

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| 1) 10-23-08 Minutes | 3) ANTH/INTL 308 | 5) Languages and 1C discussion. |
| 2) HUM 302 | 4) BIOL 236 | |

Committee Action:

- 1) 10-23-08 Minutes
Clapp moved. Frederick seconded to approve the 10-23-08 minutes.
Jeppson suggested DCC note their concern in the minutes regarding departmental consultation and the new HUM 302 course. Statement to that effect added to Item #2 of the 10-23-08 minutes.
Motion passed unanimously.
- 2) HUM 302 Liberty and Civic Responsibility in America
No action taken. Revisions will be sent in time for next DC meeting.
- 3) ANTH/INTL 308 Migration and Human Adaptation
Hughey moved. Clapp seconded to approve Anth/Intl 308 in the Outer Cluster, DC 8: Global Perspective.
Motion passed unanimously.
- 4) BIOL 236 Introduction to Microbiology
Hughey moved. Frederick seconded to approve BIOL 236 in the Middle Cluster, DC 4: Natural Sciences with a lab, and DC 11: Information Literacy (*course will retain L.S. Div B1 designation*).
Motion passed unanimously.
- 5) AMCS 390 Asian Adoption in America
DCC will invite Kim Park Nelson to the next meeting to answer questions.
No action taken.
- 6) Languages and 1C discussion
In light of the MnSCU directive that first year languages must be in MNTC area #8, DCC asked Ginny Bair and Shawn Soderberg from Records Office to communicate any problems that there might be with DARS and transcripts if the 1C option is implemented for Dragon Core.
 - Bair indicated that DARS can be programmed to work, but the main issue will be to communicate to students how the first year languages are counted in Dragon Core and in MNTC.
 - Students transferring in first year languages that are designated as part of the transferring institution's liberal studies requirements will now have the courses applied to Dragon Core 8. If an MSUM student takes a first year language and it counts as Dragon Core 1C, it will have to transfer out as MNTC Goal 8.
 - Additionally, all students can choose to follow the MNTC and not Dragon Core.
 - DCC members asked about first year language courses through Concordia and TCU. Soderberg responded that the Dragon Core Committee could propose that a first year language course taken via TCU be considered 1C, but a first year language course taken by a student who transfers from Concordia to MSUM would be considered area #8.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.
Jo Berg