

Minutes of August 23, 2017 College of Engineering Curriculum Committee

Attendees:

Voting members

Dr. Thomas Lawrence, ECAM, Chair

Dr. Hitesh Handa, CMB

Dr. Peter Kner, ECE

Dr. Ramana Pidaparti, Associate Dean for Academic Programs

Dr. James Warnock, Chair – CMB

Dr. Lawrence Hornak, Associate Dean for Research

Julie Cook, Academic Manager

Guests: None

The College of Engineering Curriculum Committee met on August 23, 2017 at 11:00 am in the Coverdell 104 Conference Room.

Updates and Announcements:

- The committee structure and membership was confirmed for this fall.
- The process for formal routing of course change proposals via the School Curriculum Committee, the School Chair, the College Academic Office and to the College Curriculum Committee was reviewed and confirmed.
- Julie Cook is getting a handle on the status of all CAPA proposals submitted last year and if any fell through the cracks and need submitting now.

The Committee approved the following proposals:

CMB Origination: None submitted

ECAM Origination:

Course Change Proposals

- MCHE 4000 – Prerequisite changes.
This was approved with the understand that the ECAM curriculum committee would review a proposed revision making MCHE 2990 a prerequisite instead of a pre- or co-requisite. Tom Lawrence will take this back to the ECAM committee for their concurrence before this gets submitted.

ECE Origination: None submitted

The Committee returned the following course proposals:

- None returned, although note the modified proposal for MCHE 4000 above.

Other New Business:

- Discussed a proposal from Dr. Pidaparti to allow students to substitute MATH 3500 in lieu of the requirement for MATH 2500. It was agreed these situations should be handled on a case by case basis involving the respective School Chair.
- Dr. Pidaparti requested the Committee review the policy related to students being allowed to take the 6XXX level course for which he/she has previously taken a 4XXX with the same course number. In situations where the 6XXX level is a unique course, it was agreed a student could register. In cases where the 4XXX and 6XXX are the same course (dual listed), a student who has completed the 4XXX cannot take the 6XXX.
- A proposal to create variable credit independent study courses at the 6000 and 8000 level was presented by Dr. Pidaparti. The Committee agreed to support these additional graduate level offerings and the Academic Office will prepare a proposed strategy for this at the next curriculum committee meeting.
- The Committee clarified the credit hour requirement for CURO research

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm

Future meeting plan and actions coming

- Wednesday, October 18 at 11:00 in Driftmier 102.
- November TBD
- December 14

*Recorded by Julie Cook and edited by Tom Lawrence
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Thomas Lawrence, Chair
College of Engineering Curriculum Committee
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