

**Charleston Southern University  
Curriculum Committee Annual Report  
2014-15**

Membership of the Committee:

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| Dr. Jackie Fish  | Vice President for Academic Affairs       |
| Dr. Andy Blauch  | Mathematics                               |
| Dr. Jennifer Beatson (half year, replaced by Dr. Pam Peek) | Foreign Languages                         |
| Dr. Peter Beck   | Christian Studies                         |
| Dr. Don Clerico  | Education                                 |
| Prof. Cynthia Dyson  | School of Nursing                         |
| Dr. Dan Fultz  | Communications                            |
| Dr. Arnold Hite  | Business                                  |
| Dr. John Kuykendall  | History                                   |
| Dr. Gary Metts   | Criminal Justice                          |
| Dr. Amy Nolan  | Biology                                   |
| Prof. Jim Roberts  | COINS                                     |
| Prof. Linda Rousseau                                       | Library                                   |
| Dr. Christina Sinisi                                       | Behavioral Sciences                       |
| Ms. Amanda Sisson  | Registrar                                 |
| Prof. Ed Speyers   | Art & Graphic Design                      |
| Prof. Mark Sterbank  | Music                                     |
| Prof. Gary Vance   | College of Adult and Professional Studies |
| Ms. Annie Watson   | Academic Advising                         |
| Dr. Scott Yarbrough, Chair                                 | English                                   |

The curriculum committee met for 7 scheduled monthly meetings in AY 2014-15. The current process for curricular action proceeds as follows:

A given department member or department desires to make a change (such as implement a new course, delete an old one).

The department grants approval and the chair signs the approval form appropriate to the action.

The dean then approves the action.

The Registrar then examines the curricular action for possible impacts and signs the request.

If the request is a Level One action, 2 copies are presented to the Registrar more than 1 week before the next meeting.

If the request is a Level Two action, 2 print copies are presented to the Registrar more than 1 week before the next meeting; additionally, a scanned or digital copy is e-mailed to the chair and distributed to entire committee.

The chair and Registrar meet before the committee meeting to review all submitted requests and insure that each is appropriately designated Level 1 or 2 and that all forms are approved properly; the chair then prepares Level 1 report for committee.

Upon meeting, the committee reviews the level 1 report and all level 2 actions submitted for meeting.

When the addition of a new course or new program (or revisions to previously existing ones) will have an impact on either Administrative Services (for example, a course will always be taught in a computer lab, or extensive amounts of computer resources will be required) or the Library (for

**ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

**LEVEL 1 ACTIONS**

**I: CATALOG CHANGES AND COURSE REVISIONS<sup>i</sup>**

**COMPREHENSIVE NUMERATION CHANGE:**

Change all Internship numbers to consistently reflect either 469 or 470 unless the internship is

THEATER:

COMM 321. Acting. (3). Revised description.

changes in course content required for ABET Accreditation (for Computer Science BS).

MATH 105 Introduction to Mathematical Structures. Revise and update course description.

MATH 495 Senior Seminar (Math Capstone). Update course description to reflect requirement of Major Field Test in Mathematics.

MATH 346, Probability Theory: change title to Mathematical Statistics I to better reflect content of course and purpose.

MATH 347, Statistics: change title to Mathematical Statistics II: to better reflect content of course and purpose.

#### SCHOOL OF MUSIC:

##### MUSIC:

MUSI 445 Pedagogy. Delete 095-20 from pre-reqs and replace with MUSI 360.

##### MUSIC THERAPY:

MUSI 496 Music Therapy Internship. Course is now pass-fail rather than graded, and student may graduate during the semester registered for the internship

#### COLLEGE OF NURSING:

Note: Courses revised to Meet ACEN Requirements

NURS 203. Nursing Assessment. Description revised to focus more on assessment and data analysis. Outcomes revised as well.

NURS 215. Fundamentals of Nursing. Description revised to focus on critical thinking and fundamentals and for clarity; pre-reqs changed from NURS 203, 209, 217 to BSN admission and 102; SLOs updated and revised.

NURS 302. Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing. Number changed to 322, to fit sequence better; credit hours changed from 5 to 4, requiring one less clinical hours; pre-reqs changed from NURS 303, 311, to NURS 260, 323, 331. SLOs updated and revised.

NURS 303. Maternity Nursing. Numbers changed to 323 for sequence; credit hours changed from 5 to 4, requiring 1 less lecture hour; outcomes revised and updated; pre-reqs changed from 215, 216, 260 to 222 & 231.

NURS 304. Pediatric Nursing. Number changed to 324 for sequencing; credit hours dropped from 5 to 4, requiring one less lecture hour. Outcomes revised and updated; pre-reqs changed from 303 & 311 to 260, 323, and 331; description revised for clarity.

NURS 404. Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing. Outcomes revised and updated; pre-reqs changed from all 300 level nursing courses and statistics (through a variety of choices) to NURS 405, 409, and 431.

NURS 405. Research in Healthcare. Outcomes revised and updated; pre-reqs changed from all 300 level nursing courses and statistics (through a variety of choices) to NURS 322; 324; 325; and SOC/PSYC 201 or other approved stats course.

NURS 409. Community Health Nursing. Credit hours shifted one hour from lecture to clinical, making it still 4 hours but 2-0-2. Outcomes revised and updated; pre-reqs changed to NURS 322, 324, 325.

Add NURS 300 as cross list to HEAL 300, Informatics for the Healthcare Professional. (3).











Revised all "COMM" courses for theater to new prefix of THEA. Courses affected would be COMM

101, 102, 103, 104

218, 296, 297, 298, 299

311, 312, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325

402, 403, 421

COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES:

HEALTH PROMOTION:

Revision of minor to make consistent with 2012



COMM-325, Advanced Reporting (3 hours)--NEW course; *Prerequisite: COMM-225*  
 COMM-240, Introduction to Public Relations (3 hours)--(*replaces COMM-320*); *Prerequisite: COMM-225*  
 COMM-340, Advanced Public Relations Writing (3 hours)--(*replaces COMM-410*);  
*Prerequisite: COMM-240*  
 COMM-350, Family Communication (3 hours)--NEW course; *Prerequisite: COMM-250*  
 COMM-355, Christian Communication (3 hours)--NEW course; *Prerequisite: COMM-250*  
 One approved Special Topic in Communication or Theatre (3 hours)  
 One approved Theatre course (3 hours)

New Program: Minor in Journalism:

(18 hrs)

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| COMM-214    | Mass Media (3 hours)                       |
| COMM-225    | Multimedia Reporting & Writing (3 hours)   |
| COMM-235    | Multiplatform Editing (3 hours)            |
| COMM-240    | Introduction to Public Relations (3 hours) |
| COMM-469    | Internship (3 hours)                       |
| Choose one: | COMM-340; COMM-355; COMM-385 (3 hours)     |

New Program: Minor in Sports Communication:

(18 hrs)

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| COMM-220    | Sports Communication (3 hours)              |
| COMM-225    | Multimedia Reporting & Writing (3 hours)    |
| COMM-240    | Introduction to Public Relations (3 hours)  |
| COMM-340    | Advanced Public Relations Writing (3 hours) |
| COMM-469    | Internship (3 hours)                        |
| Choose one: | COMM-325; COMM-355; COMM-385 (3 hours)      |

New Program: Minor in Family Communication:

(18 hrs)

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| COMM-115 | Media Literacy & Criticism (3 hours)   |
| COMM-220 | Sports Communication (3 hours)         |
| COMM-250 | Interpersonal Communication (3 hours)  |
| COMM-350 | Family Communication (3 hours)         |
| COMM-355 | Christian Communication (3 hours)      |
| COMM-385 | Applied Communication Theory (3 hours) |

New Program: Minor in Public Relations:

(18 hrs)

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| COMM-225 | Multimedia Reporting & Writing (3 hours)    |
| COMM-240 | Introduction to Public Relations (3 hours)  |
| MRKT-310 | Principles of Marketing (3 hours)           |
| COMM-340 | Advanced Public Relations Writing (3 hours) |
| COMM-355 | Christian Communication (3 hours)           |
| COMM-469 | Internship (3 hours)                        |

Program Revision: Minor in Communications:

Renamed Communications Studies  
 18 hours from (each is a 3 hour class):  
 COMM 115, Media Literary and Criticism  
 COMM 225, Multimedia Reporting and Writing  
 COMM 240, Intro to Public Relations  
 COMM 250, Interpersonal Communication  
 COMM 385, Applied Communication Theory  
 Choose one: COMM 325, 340; 350; 355 (3 hours)

New Program: Minor in Theater:

18 hours total  
 Minor Studies (6 hours)

THEA 311 Introduction to Theatre (3)

THEA 321 Acting (3)

Minor Electives (12 hours from below):

THEA 218 Stagecraft and Design (3)

THEA 312 Theatre History (3)

THEA 313 Voice and Text (3)

THEA 322 Directing (3)

THEA 323 Acting for the Camera (3)

THEA 324 Opera/Musical Theatre Workshop (3)

THEA 325 Movement for



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| ENGL 111 | English Composition and Rhetoric I  | 3* |
| ENGL 112 | English Composition and Rhetoric II | 3* |
| COMM 110 | Public Speaking                     | 3* |

### **OTHER ACTIONS BY THE COMMITTEE**

#### September Meeting:

##### APPLE Internships:

Found to be in violation of Policy R-47. Internships changed to require 2.75 gpa and VPAA or dean approval.

##### March Meeting:

Foreign Language requirement: Discussion from the floor inquired as to whether progress had been made regarding the implementation or not of a foreign language requirement. Dr. Yarbrough reminded the committee that the General Education Committee had been tasked with investigating the ramifications and making a suggestion. Curriculum Committee continued to endorse the addition of a foreign language requirement other than lit-in-translation courses, but does not endorse number of required courses or nature of class.

SACSCOC Substantive Change: Committee was reminded that any curriculum changes requiring Substantive Change notifications or approval were not in effect until approved by SACSCOC.

##### April Meeting:

The VPAA decided to discontinue the APPLE program as a separate program for various reasons, including the problems of administering general internships for academic credit via a non-academic program, the upcoming QEP which will in part restructure internships on campus (beginning fall 2016), and the necessity of all academic departments to have internship (or similar) courses in the catalog under their majors and disciplines. However, GNED 398 and 399 were ultimately preserved in the catalog for circumstances warranting general education prefixes for students.

ADDENDUM: Compiled minutes for 2014-15 Curriculum Committee meetings.

#### Report Submitted by:

Scott D. Yarbrough, Chair  
Amanda Sisson, Registrar  
Jennifer Mehaffey, Recorder  
Curriculum Committee 2014-15

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<sup>1</sup>\*Significant or substantive catalog changes (e.g., addition of a new major) may be addressed in other sections.