Committee members in attendance: Jackie Brinton, Marta Caminero-Santangelo, Eric Deeds, Allard Jongman, Jorge Pérez, Robin Rowland, Terry Slocum, Kathy Suprenant

Others in attendance: Ann Cudd, Chris Fischer, Bob Goldstein, Marsha Haufler, Karen Ledom, Kim McNeley, Ed Morris, Anne Sawyer

The meeting was called to order by Associate Dean Ann Cudd at 4:00 PM.

Minutes
A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 8, 2011 minutes of the College Academic Council as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

Report of the Committee on Graduate Studies (CGS)
(Ed Morris, 2011-2012 CGS Chair, reporting)

- The motion (CGS report by Ed Morris) was seconded, and the CAC voted unanimously to approve the following curricular changes:
  
  FMS 840, PHIL 833

- The motion (CGS report by Ed Morris) was seconded, and the CAC voted unanimously to approve the following curricular changes:
  
  Visual Art Education Track

Report of the Committee on Undergraduate Studies & Advising (CUSA)
(Chris Fischer, 2011-2012 CUSA Chair, reporting)

- The motion (CUSA report by Chris Fischer) was seconded, and the CAC voted unanimously to approve the following curricular changes:
  
  1. **New Courses**: ENGL 565, EVRN 510, HIST 368, HA 539, LAA 300, REES 499
  2. **Deleted/Deactivated Courses**: HIST 577, HA 550
  3. **Changes**: FMS 540, HIST 576, HA 100, HA 103, HA 150, HA 151, HA 160, HA 161, HA 300, HA 303, HA 505, HWC 114, HWC 115, HWC 204, HWC 205, REES 496, TD 303(414)
  4. **Other**: FMS 273 (approval as online course)

The motion (CUSA report by Chris Fischer) was seconded, and the CAC voted unanimously to approve the following degree requirements:

1. Change to Existing BA, BGS and BS in Environmental Studies
2. Change to Existing BA and BGS in History of Art
3. Change to Existing BFA in Visual Art – Textiles/Fibers option
4. Change to Existing Peace and Conflict Studies Minor
5. Creation of Departmental Honors in Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies
6. Non-Western Culture Status for HIST 368 – proposed new course
7. Non-Western Culture Status for HIST 576 – existing course with proposed description changes.
8. Non-Western Culture Status for HA 539 – proposed new course
9. Change to Existing BS Geography – Geographical Information Analysis Option
10. Change to Existing BS Geography – Physical Geography Option
The motion (CUSA report by Chris Fischer) was seconded, and the CAC voted unanimously to approve the following proposal:

**Proposal to Limit the Number of Course Withdrawals:**

That each student be limited to a total of five individual Period 2 course withdrawals throughout his or her undergraduate career at the University. A withdrawal from the University or all the courses a student is enrolled in, would not count against the limit of five individual course withdrawals.

*NOTE: This is simply a recommendation for a possible change. This change cannot come into effect until it is enacted by the University. It is currently under review at the University-wide level.*

The motion (CUSA report by Chris Fischer) was seconded to approve the **Proposal to Require Instructor Signature on all Withdrawals**. The motion to require instructor signatures on all withdrawals failed by unanimous vote.

**Other business**

Chris Fischer reported on CUSA’s discussions of the process underway as part of the KU strategic plan, “Bold Aspirations,” to “establish a new KU core curriculum for all undergraduate students.” Information regarding this portion of the strategic plan may be found at this link: [http://www.provost.ku.edu/planning/implementation/](http://www.provost.ku.edu/planning/implementation/).

CUSA will continue to review College specific requirements for BA, BGS, BFA, and BS degrees once the new KU Core curriculum supplants the current College general education requirements. CUSA will also work on a plan to coordinate calendar deadlines and assist departments and programs in establishing a new core curriculum, and major specific degree requirements.

The CAC meeting was ended by consensus at 5:00 PM.

**Next College Academic Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 4:00 PM (210 Strong Hall)**

*Minutes recorded and transcribed by Anne Sawyer (Secretary to the College Assembly)*