COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND ADVISING
Minutes of the Meeting for October 27, 2015

The committee met on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, at 11:15 a.m. in Room 210 Strong Hall. The following were present:
Anthony-Twarog, Atchley, Brackett, Bradley, Cotten-Spreckelmeyer, Garibotto, Goldstein, Hileman, Ledom, Morris, Quenette, Rockey, Stock, Zogry
Guest: David Gaston

Chair’s Welcome: Professor Atchley called the meeting to order.

Approval of CUSA Minutes: A motion was made to approve the September 22, 2015 meeting minutes of the Committee on Undergraduate Studies & Advising. The motion was seconded and passed.

Dean’s Office Update: Dr. Goldstein announced that the Office of the Provost has approached the College and other academic units, requesting that they cut their budget by 3% or find a way to make up this amount through additional revenue sources. The College is looking for input on this issue from department chairs.

SAS Office Update: Ms. Ledom announced that SAS continues to be very busy with advising and main enrollment. She asked CUSA members to spread the news in their respective departments that two sessions of an Undergraduate Coordinator meeting are coming up soon on Monday, November 16th and Wednesday, November 18th.

Subcommittee Assignments:

A. Curricular Changes/Degree Requirements/ KU Core Proposals
   1. Curricular Changes for Approval:
      Professor Atchley presented the Curricular Changes nominations. A motion was made to approve the Curricular Changes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

      NEW COURSES: EVRN 363, GEOG 336, EVRN 540, GEOG 540, EVRN 636, SOC 635, EALC 142, HIST 361, JWSH 601, SLAV 152, SLAV 512

      CHANGES: PHSX 210, PHSX 211, PHSX 212, SLAV 506, SLAV 516

      DELETIONS: HIST 130, HIST 131, HIST 315, HIST 543, HIST 609, HIST 666

   2. Degree Requirements for Approval:
      Professor Atchley presented the Degree Requirements nominations. A motion was made to approve the Degree Requirements. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

      a. Change to Existing Major – BA & BGS in History
      b. Change to Existing Minor – History Minor
      c. Change to Existing Major – BA & BGS in Philosophy

   3. KU Core Proposals:
      Professor Atchley presented the KU Core Proposal nomination. A motion was made to approve the KU Core Proposal. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

      a. HIST 331 – Goal 3H
      b. HIST 367 – Goal 4, Learning Outcome 2
      c. HIST 368 – Goal 3H
      d. CHEM 135, CHEM 150, CHEM 195 – Withdrawal from counting in KU Core

B. Academic Policies and Awards
   1. Proposal for Changes to the Bachelor of General Studies (BGS) Degree (Attachment 1)

      Professor Quenette presented the Proposal for Changes to the BGS Degree, which agrees in essence with the most recent previous BGS proposal. Features of this proposal include flexibility, suitable credit hour requirements, and compatibility with the growing number of newly available certificates.
The committee discussed a number of concerns regarding the proposal, including time required for students late in their academic careers to complete the BGS requirements, timeline for availability of certificates, availability of career preparation courses, and the need to address course overlap between certificates.

The proposal was passed, and will be presented to other stakeholders within the College and other academic units for input.

C. Other

1. Departmental Honors in Jewish Studies
   Ms. Ledom presented the proposal for Departmental Honors for the new Jewish Studies major. The proposal was passed unanimously.

   Ms. Ledom reported on the new course topic in LA&S 292, Advocacy for Social Change.

Adjournment 12:20 p. m.