

COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

ACTIVITIES REPORT

October 8, 2008 – August 25, 2009

Sixteen two-hour meetings were held, including 3 two-hour meetings in the summer. Professor **Daniel A. Mendelsohn** was elected Chair and Professor **W. Randy Smith**, Vice Provost, was elected Vice Chair for the 2008-2009 academic year.

I. CURRICULA

Council approved the following proposals - presented alphabetically, by College/School, with date(s) of formal Council on Academic Affairs discussion/action in parentheses.

Arts and Sciences

Establish an interdisciplinary undergraduate minor in American Indian Studies (1/14/09)

Establish an interdisciplinary undergraduate major in Globalization Studies (1/21/09)

Revise the interdisciplinary undergraduate minor in Latino/a Studies (1/21/09)

Revise the interdisciplinary minor in Sexuality Studies (4/22/09)

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Latino/a Studies (6/3/09) See also Graduate School

Create a New Music Media and Enterprise Minor (8/18/09)

Arts

Revise the undergraduate Bachelor of Fine Arts major in Dance, Department of Dance (10/8/08)

Revise the undergraduate Bachelor of Art Education major in Art Education, Department of Art Education (10/8/08)

Create a Music, Media, and Enterprise Minor (7/22/09)

Create a Museum Education and Administration Graduate Specialization in the Department of Art Education (8/18/09) See also Graduate School

Biological Sciences

Revise the Microbiology major, Department of Microbiology (5/6/09)

Business

Create a Specialized Masters in Business (7/22/09) See also Graduate School

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Quantitative Methods in Consumer Behavior (Marketing, Psychology, Statistics) (7/22/09) See also Graduate School, Mathematical and Physical Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences

Dentistry

Revise the undergraduate major in Dental Hygiene, Division of Dental Hygiene (10/22/08)

Education and Human Ecology

Rename the undergraduate major in Family Resource Management to Consumer and Family Financial Services major, Department of Consumer Sciences (10/8/08)

Rename Textiles and Clothing to Fashion and Retail Studies, Department of Consumer Sciences (10/22/08)

- Undergraduate Major
- Graduate Specialization (See also Graduate School)

Establish a 181 credit hour plan for the undergraduate major in Technology Education, Licensure track, School of Teaching and Learning (1/14/09)

Establish a 181 credit hour plan for the undergraduate major in Early and Middle Childhood Education, School of Teaching and Learning (1/14/09)

Establish a New School Psychology Educational Specialist Degree (8/18/09)

Engineering

Establish the undergraduate minor in Engineering Science (1/14/09)

Establish the undergraduate minor in the Technological Studies (1/14/09)

Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

Revise the undergraduate major in Professional Golf Management, Department of Horticulture and Crop Science (10/22/08, 11/5/08)

Establish an undergraduate minor in Animal Nutrition, Department of Animal Science (11/5/08)

Establish the new undergraduate Bachelor of Science degree in Construction Systems Management, Department of Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering (1/14/09)

Establish a new PhD graduate program in Translational Plant Sciences (4/8/09) See also Graduate School

Rename the Food Science and Nutrition graduate program to Food Science and Technology, Department of Food Science and Technology (4/8/09) See also Graduate School

Establish an undergraduate minor in Agricultural Communication, Department of Human and Community Resource Development (4/22/09, 5/6/09)

School of Environment and Natural Resources

Create five graduate specializations in Environment and Natural Resources as listed, School of Environment and Natural Resources (10/22/08) See also Graduate School

- Ecological Restoration
- Ecosystem Science
- Environmental Social Sciences
- Forest Science
- Wildlife and Fisheries Science

Deactivate the graduate program in Soil Science, School of Environment and Natural Resources (1/21/09) See also Graduate School

Graduate School

Establish a graduate minor in Economics, Department of Economics (10/22/08) See also Social and Behavioral Sciences

Rename the graduate specialization in Textiles and Clothing to Fashion and Retail Studies, Department of Consumer Sciences (10/22/08) See also Education and Human Ecology

Create five graduate specializations in Environment and Natural Resources as listed (10/22/08) See also Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, School of Environment and Natural Resources

- Ecological Restoration
- Ecosystem Science
- Environmental Social Sciences
- Forest Science
- Wildlife and Fisheries Science

Revise the graduate program in Biostatistics, Department of Statistics, Mathematical and Physical Sciences and Division of Biostatistics, Public Health (11/5/08) See also Mathematical and Physical Sciences, and Public Health

Offer the graduate Masters of Social Work at another off-campus location (11/5/08) See also Social Work

Revise the graduate Masters of Occupational Therapy (11/5/08) See also Medicine, School of Allied Medical Professions

Revise the graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Literacy Studies (12/3/08) See also Humanities

Establish the graduate dual degree Masters in Public Health and Doctor of Optometry, College of Public Health and College of Optometry (1/14/09) See also Public Health, and Optometry

Establish the graduate Masters dual degree in Public Affairs and Slavic and East European Studies (12/3/08, 1/14/08) See also John Glenn School of Public Affairs and Humanities

Create graduate direct-to-PhD track in Women's Studies, Department of Women's Studies (1/14/09) See also Humanities

Deactivate the graduate program in Soil Science, School of Environment and Natural Resources (1/21/09) See also Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, School of Environment and Natural Resources

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Global Health (3/4/09) See also Medicine

Create an interdisciplinary graduate specialization in Second Languages Studies (3/4/09) See also Humanities

Establish a new PhD graduate program in Translational Plant Sciences (4/8/09) See also Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences

Rename the Food Science and Nutrition graduate program to Food Science and Technology, Department of Food Science and Technology (4/8/09) See also Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences

Establish a graduate Masters in Latin American Studies (5/6/09) See also Humanities

Create six graduate specializations in Pharmacy as listed (5/20/09) See also Pharmacy
Health-System Pharmacy Administration
Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognosy
Pharmaceutics
Pharmacology
Pharmaceutical Administration
Translations Science

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Latino/a Studies (6/3/09) See also Arts and Sciences

Establish a Specialized Masters in Business (7/22/09) See Also Business

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Quantitative Methods in Consumer Behavior (Marketing, Psychology, Statistics) (7/22/09) See also Business, Mathematical and Physical Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences

Create a Clinical Investigations Specialization in Public Health (8/18/09) See also Public Health

Create a Museum Education and Administration Graduate Specialization in the Department of Art Education (8/18/09) See also Arts

Discontinuation of the Comprehensive Vocational Graduate Program, Department of Human and Community Resource Development (8/18/09)

Humanities

Revise the undergraduate major, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures (10/8/08)

- Chinese
- Japanese
- Korean

Revise the undergraduate minor in Religious Studies, Department of Comparative Studies (10/8/08)

Revise the graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Literacy Studies (12/3/08) See also Graduate School

Establish an undergraduate minor in Creative Writing, Department of English (12/3/08)

Establish the graduate Masters dual degree in Public Affairs and Slavic and East European Studies (12/3/08, 1/14/08) See also Graduate School and John Glenn School of Public Affairs

Create graduate direct-to-PhD track in Women's Studies, Department of Women's Studies (1/14/09) See also Graduate School

Create an interdisciplinary graduate specialization in Second Languages Studies (3/4/09) See also Graduate School

Revise the undergraduate major and minor in Chinese, Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures (4/8/09)

Revise the undergraduate major in Portuguese major, Department of Spanish and Portuguese (4/8/09)

Establish the graduate Masters in Latin American Studies (5/6/09) See also Graduate School

Revise the undergraduate major in Linguistics, Department of Linguistics (4/22/09, 5/6/09)

Revise the undergraduate major in Russian, Department of Slavic and East European Studies (6/3/09)

Revise the undergraduate Spanish Major, Department of Spanish and Portuguese (7/22/09)

John Glenn School of Public Affairs

Establish the graduate Masters dual degree in Public Affairs and Slavic and East European Studies (12/3/08, 1/14/08) See also Graduate School and Humanities

Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Revise the undergraduate major in Physics, Department of Physics (10/22/08)

Revise the graduate program in Biostatistics, Department of Statistics, Mathematical and Physical Sciences and Division of Biostatistics, Public Health (11/5/08) See also Graduate School and Public Health

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Quantitative Methods in Consumer Behavior (Marketing, Psychology, Statistics) (7/22/09) See also Graduate School, Business, and Social and Behavioral Sciences

Medicine

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Global Health, College of Medicine (3/4/09)
See also Graduate School

School of Allied Medical Professions

Revise the graduate Masters of Occupational Therapy, School of Allied Medical Professions (11/5/08) See also Graduate School

Nursing

Revise the direct enrollment admission criteria for the RN to BSN, College of Nursing (2/4/09)

Optometry

Establish the graduate dual degree Masters in Public Health and Doctor of Optometry, College of Public Health and College of Optometry (1/14/09) See also Graduate School and Public Health

Pharmacy

Create six graduate specializations in Pharmacy as listed (5/20/09) See also Graduate School
Health-System Pharmacy Administration
Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognosy
Pharmaceutics
Pharmacology
Pharmaceutical Administration
Translations Science

Public Health

Revise the graduate program in Biostatistics, Department of Statistics, Mathematical and Physical Sciences and Division of Biostatistics, Public Health (11/5/08) See also Graduate School and Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Establish the graduate dual degree Masters in Public Health and Doctor of Optometry, College of Public Health and College of Optometry (1/14/09) See also Graduate School and Optometry
Create a Clinical Investigations Specialization in Public Health (8/18/09) See also Graduate School

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Establish a graduate minor in Economics, Department of Economics (10/22/08) See also Graduate School

Revise the undergraduate minor in Economics, Department of Economics (10/22/08)

Create a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in Quantitative Methods in Consumer Behavior (Marketing, Psychology, Statistics) (7/22/09) See also Graduate School , Business, and Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Social Work

Offer the graduate Masters of Social Work at another off-campus location (11/5/08) See also Graduate School

II. CREATION, ABOLITION, & REORGANIZATION OF PROGRAMS, ACADEMIC UNITS, AND CENTERS/INSTITUTES

Rename the office of Faculty and TA Development to the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching (3/4/09)

Rename the Havener Eye Institute in the Department of Ophthalmology, College of Medicine, to the Havener Eye and Ear Institute (5/6/09)

Rename the Veterinary Teaching Hospital to the Veterinary Medical Center which will be comprised of three subcomponents, the Hospital for Companion Animals, the Hospital for Farm Animals, and the Galbreath Equine Center (6/3/09)

III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS, REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Report on Faculty Council approval to create an ad-hoc committee on calendar conversion - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (10/22/08)

Report on Honors -- Professor Linda L. Harlow, Director, University Honors and Scholars Center (10/22/08)

Discussion of syllabus standards (11/5/08)

Information provided on guidelines for establishment and review of centers for the *Academic Organization and Curriculum Handbook*, and on the centers being reviewed: Center for Cognitive Science and the Campus Microscopy and Imaging Facility - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (12/3/08)

Information provided on proposal for Faculty and TA Development to change its name to the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching - Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (1/14/09)

Information provided on revisions to the *Academic Organization and Curriculum Handbook* -- Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (2/4/09)

Discussion of undergraduate minors – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (2/4/09)

Information provided on assessment in the curricular process – Professor Alexis C. Collier (3/4/09)

Information provided on the ad-hoc committee on university calendar conversion – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice-Chair (3/4/09)

Information provided on revision to the *Academic Organization and Curriculum Handbook* – J. Briggs Cormier and Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (3/4/09)

Presentation on the Student Information System (SIS) – Connie M. Goodman, Office of the University Registrar (4/8/09)

Information provided on survey instruments for course level general education assessment – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Vice Chair (4/8/09)

Information provided on the university calendar conversion to semesters – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (4/8/09)

Information provided on dual enrollment – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (4/8/09)

Information provided on the university calendar conversion to semesters – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (4/22/09)

Information provided on dual enrollment – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (4/22/09)

Report on online Student Evaluation of Instruction (SEI) – Professor Katherine Meyer (4/22/09)

Report from the University-Level Advisory Committee for the General Education Curriculum – Professors Alexis C. Collier, Past Chair and Harald Vaessin, Chair (4/22/09)

Discussion on credit hour rule for new calendar – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (5/6/09)

Information provided on dual enrollment – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (05/6/09)

Report on dual enrollment and establishment of a dual enrollment subcommittee of the Council on Academic Affairs – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair and Melinda Wright, Director, ASC Community Partnerships (5/20/09)

Report on the John Glenn School of Public Affairs – Professor Charles R. Wise, Director, John Glenn School of Public Affairs (5/20/09)

Discussion on credit hour rule for new calendar – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (5/20/09)

Election of Professor Jay S. Hobgood as Chair for the 2009-2010 academic year (5/20/09)

Report and discussion on minors – Professor Lawrence A. Baum (6/3/09)

A proposal related to the restructuring of the Colleges of the Arts and Sciences has been submitted by Interim Executive Dean Joan Leitzel and supplemented by the new Executive Dean of Arts and Sciences and Vice Provost, Joseph Steinmetz – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (7/22/09)

The Council must follow special guidelines related to such a proposal and an ad hoc Committee will be appointed with a goal of completing the review by the end of Autumn 2009 – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (7/22/09)

The composition of this committee must be approved by the Council on Academic Affairs, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Council, and the Executive Vice President and Provost. There are detailed expectations of committee membership. Mendelsohn and Smith will work with the Senate leadership on implementing this process – Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (7/22/09)

Shared with Council, for informational purposes only, changes that have been recently approved by the Graduate School:

- Changes to the Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Global Health (the inclusion of courses as curriculum options).

- Updates to the Environment and Natural Resources Graduate Program Minor to conform to their newly recognized specializations and to add courses offered for graduate credit through the School of Environment and Natural Resources.

- Changes to the minimum number of quarter credits required for the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (7/22/09)

Informed Council members that, following a year of intense discussions, a proposal will be coming forward to move the Department of Entomology to the College of Food, Agriculture and Environmental Sciences (FAES). Currently, the Department of Entomology reports to two colleges – Biological Sciences and FAES – and is the only University Department to do so. The faculty is behind this action and one outcome of the discussions is that some faculty members have chosen to remain with the College of Biological Sciences and some with FAES – Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (7/22/09)

As mentioned at the July 22, 2009 meeting, a proposal related to the restructuring of the Colleges of the Arts and Sciences has been submitted by Interim Executive Dean Joan Leitzel and there will be a supplement by the new Executive Dean of Arts and Sciences and Vice Provost, Joseph Steinmetz. The proposal seeks to abolish the five separate colleges that make up the Federation of the Arts and Sciences and create one College of the Arts and Sciences - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (8/18/09)

The Council on Academic Affairs will convene a special subcommittee devoted to this issue. Both Council members and non-members will serve and various constituents are to be represented. The composition of the committee will consist of a faculty member from each of the existing Arts and Sciences colleges and in those choices there may be representation of the existing Federation Executive Committee as well as the University Senate. Two staff members and two student members will also be included - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (8/18/09)

This ten- to eleven-member subcommittee will do due diligence by holding open forums, getting consensus, and providing a formal report - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (8/18/09)

New faculty members joining Council for 2009-2010 will be: Stan Ahalt (Engineering), Marilyn Blackwell (Germanic Languages and Literatures), John Wilkins (Physics), and Kay Wolf (Allied Medical Professions). Neeli Bendapudi (Business) will be continuing on Council as a presidential appointee - Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (8/18/09)

Smith shared an overview of the proposal for the Deactivation of the Circulation Technology (CT) Major by the School of Allied Medical Professions:

The Executive Committee of the School of Allied Medical Professions, comprised of all Division Directors, approved the deactivation of the CT program beginning in fall 2010. The decision resulted from multiple factors, including financial considerations, limited staffing, and student enrollment. The remaining two tenured faculty members retired prior to 2008, leaving the program staffed with one instructor and several auxiliary teaching staff. The Ohio State CT program is one of only two in the state; the other resides at the Cleveland Clinic.

Clarification of dates within the proposal will be sought and when, and if, the program is reactivated, a new proposal will be required by Council - Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (8/18/09)

Mendelsohn noted this would be his last meeting as Chair of the Council. He will continue to serve as a member for one more year - Professor Daniel A. Mendelsohn, Chair (8/25/09)

A special committee is being organized that will review the proposal to restructure the Colleges of the Arts and Sciences. The review of this special committee will then come back to Council. The committee will be comprised of two faculty from this Council, two individuals from the Executive Committee for the Arts and Sciences, and two others, plus two students and two staff - Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (8/25/09)

Smith provided an update on the move to electronic use of the Student Evaluation on Instruction (SEI): The SEI oversight committee has met and a University Senate presentation is scheduled for October 15, 2009. There will also be open forums held in the Autumn on this issue so that everyone understands the reasons for implementation. Council will review the new electronic

process after the first year. A Council member will be asked to join the faculty, staff, and students serving on the SEI Oversight Committee - Professor W. Randy Smith, Vice Chair (8/25/09)

IV. MEMBERSHIP

Faculty Members

Sheryl A. Barringer
Lawrence A. Baum
Neelima M. Bendapudi
James W. Cogdell
Daniel E. Collins
Kathryn A. Corl
Marcia E. Farr
Lora G. Dobos
Jay S. Hobgood
Michael Ibba
E. Kay Halasek
Daniel A. Mendelsohn
John M. Robinson
Sally V. Rudmann
W. Randy Smith (Provost's
Designee and Vice Provost)
Robert J. Ward
Brian L. Winer

Student Members

Rose M. Babington (USG)
Adrienne M. Belt (USG)
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Bradley L. Cromes (IPC)
Sarah K. Douglas (CGS)
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