The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
The Undergraduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

Minutes
240 SH
December 1, 2022

Attending: Cornelia Lang (chair), Melissa Bates, Jill Beckman, Asha Bhandary, Roxanna Curto, Jennifer Eimers (staff), Alan Huckleberry, Erin Irish, Cinda Coggins Mosher, Christine Shea, Jenna Yang

Not attending: Jan Wessel

1. The minutes from November 10, 2022, were approved, and the November 17, 2022, minutes were approved with an amendment.

2. The committee reviewed a proposal to discontinue the undergraduate Certificate in Global Health Studies (GHS) effective Fall 2023. The proposal was presented by Kristine Muñoz, Director of Global Health Studies, Professor of Spanish and Portuguese, and Professor of Communication Studies.

Closure of the Certificate will free up scarce advising and faculty resources to better serve students in the GHS minor, BA, and BS degrees. The number of students seeking the Certificate since 2017 has ranged from 3-9; many more students choose to pursue the minor in Global Health Studies. While the Certificate contains a research component that is not currently an option in the minor, the GHS Program plans to revise the minor to add an optional research component. If the Certificate is closed to enrollment for Fall 2023, all currently enrolled students (currently 7) will be guided through completion by their academic advisor, their faculty mentor, and/or the Director of GHS.

After a brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the closure of the undergraduate Certificate in Global Health Studies.

3. The committee discussed a preliminary draft created by the Division of World Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (DWLLC) for the name, description, and possible criteria for the GE CLAS Core World Language +1 courses in the 3+1 pathway. The draft has been discussed by the General Education Curriculum Committee, and highlights from that discussion were shared as well.

4. Adjournment of meeting

Respectfully submitted,

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