



Western Connecticut State University

Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards

CUCAS Minutes for January 19th, 2016

SC 202 (MT)

2016 – 2017 Members Present: : **Jessica Eckstein** (At-Large Faculty), Keith Gauvin (Registrar, *ex officio*), **Linda Dalessio** (PS Faculty), Josephine Hamer (A&S Dean, *ex officio*), **Patricia Ivry** (Dean PS, *ex officio*), **Katie Lever** (At-Large Faculty), **Amanda Lubell** , **Doug O’Grady** (VPA Faculty), **Barbara Piscopo** (PS Faculty), **Divya Sharma** (Ancell Faculty), Tom Yoon (Ancell Faculty) *Bold denotes voting member /s

Members Not Present: **JC Barone** (A&S Faculty), **Karen Koza** (Ancell Faculty), **David Martin** (Dean Ancell, *ex officio*), Brian Vernon (Dean/Ancell), Jerry Wilcox (InstitRes, *ex officio*),

Guests: Katie O’Callahan, Maryann Rossi, Terri Small

Called to order at 9:36 AM

I. Minutes:

1. Minutes of CUCAS Meeting from December 2016

- Motion to approve: Amanda Lubell, 2nd Jessica Eckstein
- Discussions/Corrections: 0
- #Approved: 10 /Opposed: 0

II. Announcements: N/A

III. Reports: N/A

IV. New Business:

- a. CD1617065 ED 1XX First Year Experience for Secondary Education Majors, Catharine O’Callaghan
- b. CD1617070 Align ED 212 with Information Literacy Competency, Catharine O’Callaghan
- c. CD1617066 Align ED 416 with Culminating General Education Experience, Catharine O’Callaghan
- d. CD1617069 ED 211 – Align ED 211 with Tier 2 Writing Competency /Child & Adolescent Development 1 – Elementary ED, Catharine O’Callaghan



- Motion to approve as a packet: Josephine Hamer, 2nd Keith Gauvin
 - Discussions/Corrections:
 - #Approved: 10 /Opposed: 0
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- CD1617015 Align SW 300 with Scientific Inquiry and Informational Literacy Competency, Sharon Young
 - Motion to approve: Barbara Piscopo, 2nd Patti Ivy
 - Discussions/Corrections:
 - ❖ Research Course – It requires students to engage in research projects and engage in the process of scientific investigations.
 - ❖ Only open to majors. Biology is listed as a cognate.
 - ❖ *Future: Is this a trend? Has this come up in Gen. Ed. Perhaps we should start the dialogue about Gen Ed. Competencies. Perhaps we should take another look at “research methods”
 - ❖ Extend an invitation to Dr. Wynn Gadkar-Wilcox to come to CUCAS to start the dialogue.
 - #Approved: 10 /Opposed:

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 am.