School of Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee Meeting

March 6, 2019

**Minutes**

In attendance: Drs. Kelly Marin, Jawanza Clark, Elizabeth Nelson, Nefertiti Takla, and Evelyn Scaramella (via phone) (Excused: Dr. Michael Grabowski and Dean Brower)

Notetaker: Dr. Nefertiti Takla

1. Agenda approved
2. Minutes from January 29, 2019 meeting approved
3. SOC Course Proposals
   1. The committee unanimously approved a title change for SOC 273 from “Prisons and Probation” to “Corrections and Mass Incarceration”. The department is changing the course title and catalog description to make them consistent with current research in the field. Dr. Madeleine Novich will be teaching the course.
   2. The committee unanimously approved a title change for SOC 367 from “Criminal Investigations” to “Crime and Justice in Urban Settings”. The course will be taught by an adjunct, Prof. Rafael Santana, and the committee received a syllabus for a version of the course previously taught by Prof. Santana at CUNY.
4. POSC New Course Proposal – POSC XXX: Human Rights
   1. The committee unanimously approved POSC XXX: Human Rights as a new course. Dr. Elizabeth Nelson has taught the course twice in the past as a special topics. The course will be cross listed with International Studies and Peace and Justice Studies, but the committee does not have the ability to approve it as a global/non-western course. The committee suggested including more non-western topics and readings before submitting it to Dr. Rocco Marinaccio for a global/non-western designation.
5. PHIL New Course Proposal – PHIL 2XX: Philosophy and Literature
   1. The committee decided to table this proposal until the next meeting. Some committee members raised questions about whether this interdisciplinary course would be cross listed with English, and whether the Philosophy Department should discuss this proposal with the English Department first. Dr. Marin will speak to Drs. Marinaccio, O’Connell, and Bollert about this before our next meeting.
6. New Business

No new business

1. Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for April 17th at 1 p.m.