University-Wide Impact Committee Minutes 09/11/14


Guests: B. Kalk (Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences), D. Newton (Interim Associate Dean of Education), K. Laing (Registrar’s Office)

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 9:40 am (quorum reached).

II. Old Business
a. Discussion of Removal of Elective Requirement for Education Majors

Motion: Permanently remove the 12 credits of free elective requirement in all teacher certification programs. (L. Bower-Phipps, 2nd J. Alexander)
Vote: 14 – 1 – 0

b. Discussion of Removal of Elective Requirement for Nursing Majors

Motion: Permanently remove the 12 credits of free elective requirement in all nursing programs. (K. Higgins, 2nd J. Alexander)
Vote: 14 – 0 – 1

c. Waiving LEP Requirements for Students Pursuing a 2nd Bachelor’s Degree
Notes:
- A student pursuing a 2nd bachelor’s degree, who received their bachelor’s degree from an institution other than SCSU, has their GPA reset when they come to SCSU.
- A student pursuing a 2nd bachelor’s degree, who received their bachelor’s degree from SCSU, does not have their GPA reset when they start to pursue the 2nd bachelor’s degree.
- Once a degree is awarded, a student cannot change their undergraduate transcript (GPA, grade replacement….)

Motion: Approve the following language for students pursuing a 2nd bachelor’s degree:
If a student enrolled in the university already has a bachelor’s degree, from an accredited university, and wishes to pursue a bachelor’s degree at Southern Connecticut State University, then he/she will have the LEP requirements waived except for those LEP courses specifically required for their program. (J. Gil, 2nd L. Kwak)
Vote: 15 – 0 – 0
d. **Language regarding the catalog which return students follow.**

The current language (on page 44 of the catalog) states:
“Once readmitted students are held to the academic requirements in effect at the time of their readmission.”

**Motion:** Approve the following modified language:
Once readmitted, students are held to the academic requirements in effect at the time of their readmission. Under certain circumstances the department chair may grant a waiver of this policy. (K. Hliggs, 2nd S. Graves)

Vote: 15 – 0 – 0

### III. New Business

a. Possible Future Agenda Items

- Draft a policy with regard to storage and publishing of non-sensitive information outside BB9 for students and faculty.
- Course caps for LEP courses for all 3 tiers.
- Return class caps to previous levels.
- Discuss mega-sections of classes, in particular, should departments have to make a special case for these and explain how pedagogy would work.
- Support upper-level classes with low-enrollment required in the major.
- Statement about independent studies.
- Look at the language of Natural World I&II requirements. For example, what is meant by “significant lab experience” and how is the QR being reinforced in these courses?