

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Friday, October 11, 2013

12:00 noon – 011D Hullahen Hall (Lower Level)

AGENDA

I. Old Business:

- a. Non-credit certificate programs - Last spring, the Faculty Senate passed a resolution that requires Coordinating Committee review of non-credit certificate programs. At our last meeting, CCE reviewed the following form that is used to collect that data from <https://sites.google.com/a/udel.edu/facultysenate/non-credit-certificates>.

We also reviewed the spreadsheet that got created when PCS entered their non-credit certificate programs via this form. The spreadsheet is online at <https://docs.google.com/a/udel.edu/spreadsheet/pub?key=0AjMD8IZxBhTFdHNTbkNtNUxtVkNsdHhpb01mOUplVVE&output=html>.

It is now our task to vote on the PCS programs and determine the manner in which we will invite the rest of the campus to do likewise. The instructions from the Executive Committee are that we should approve these programs unless we see any red flags in what gets submitted into the spreadsheet. Thus, CCE members should please review the PCS data in the spreadsheet in preparation for voting on whether CCE approves of these PCS programs.

- b. Academic Calendar Issues - The faculty handbook contains conflicting statements about the academic calendar. The Executive Committee has asked Coordinating to draft a resolution correcting this. ([attachment](#))

The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, the Faculty Handbook states in section 3.1.7 that "Class meeting hours at the University of Delaware follow the standards adopted by most colleges and universities. For a three credit class, this is typically three, 50 minute weekly meetings on a Monday-Wednesday-Friday sequence for a minimum of 41 class meetings during the fall and spring terms. Three credit classes meeting on the Tuesday-Thursday sequence will meet for 75 minutes for a minimum of 27 class meetings."; and

Whereas, the word "typically" is missing in the sentence about Tuesdays and Thursdays; and

Whereas, the Faculty Handbook states in section 3.1.6 that "The University's Academic Calendar in fall and spring semesters will normally contain 68 instructional days followed by a final examination period of at least 6 days. In years when the holiday calendar makes this impracticable, the length of the semester may be reduced to a minimum of 65 days."; and

Whereas, it may be impossible to hold 27 Tuesday-Thursday classes when the number of instructional days is less than 68; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the word "typically" be added to make the sentence in section 3.1.7 read as follows: Class meeting hours at the University of Delaware follow the normal standards adopted by most colleges and universities. For a three credit class, this is typically three, 50 minute weekly meetings on a Monday-Wednesday-Friday sequence for a minimum of 41 class meetings during the fall and spring terms. Three credit classes meeting on the Tuesday-Thursday sequence typically meet for 75 minutes for a minimum of 27 class meetings.

II. New Business:

- a. Review of the 2012 resolution concerning Winter Session – ([attachment](#))

III. Other:

IV. Adjournment: