

Ramapo College of New Jersey  
Academic Review Committee (ARC)  
Minutes of April 5, 2017 meeting  
TAS Conference Room – ASB 422

Meeting started at 3:10 PM

Present: Stephen Anderson (TAS, Chair), Susan Kurzmann (Library), Carol Bowman (SSHS), Karl Johnson (SSHGS), Meredith Davis (CA), Eric Daffron (Provost's Office, ex-officio), Michelle Johnson (Student Success, ex-officio)

Absent: Michele Dunn (Registrar, ex-officio), George Gonpu (ASB),

I. Minutes of the March 29, 2017 meeting were approved

II. Discussion Items:

- Logistical issues regarding the implementation of the New Gen-Ed program. Questions regarding the number of courses and sections, and the frequency of offerings (once a year?). Who/how this will be policed
- Double counting of courses in a major and minor and how this impacts on the '50% rule'. ARC had received a request to discuss the TFAEE recommendation that increased double counting within majors/minors be allowed and the 50 % rule eliminated. During these discussions, ARC concluded that allowing too much double counting may lead to 'free' minors or ones that may require only one additional course outside the major. The flip side of the argument is that in some cases, considerably more than 5 courses/20 credits may be required to obtain a minor in order to satisfy the '50% rule'.

III. Decision Items:

- SWRK 230: Aids-Social Perspectives (Kim Lorber). Approved with minor revisions (ARC # 17-177)
- ARTS 2XX: Revolution of Light-Roots of Hiatian Art (Shalom Gorewitz). Approved with minor revisions (ARC # 17-178)
- INTL 204: Peoples and Cultures of Asia (Susan Hangen/Neriko Doerr). Approved with minor revisions (ARC # 17-179)
- LITR 279: The Graphic Novel (Ed Shannon). Approved with minor revisions (ARC # 17-180)
- SUST 1XX: Living in the Anthropocene (Sangha Padhy). Approved with minor revisions (ARC # 17-181)
- Chemistry, Biology, Environmental and Physics Minors: Revisions to requirements based on addition of credits to labs. All were postponed for further clarifications in relation to 20 credit cap.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Submitted by Stephen Anderson