To: Dan O’Connor, Chair, Academic Senate CSULB

From: Chris Brazier, Chair, Curriculum and Educational Policies Council

Date: 7 September 2014

**Annual Report of the Curriculum and Educational Policies Council, 2013-14**

**ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-13**

**New, Changes To, and Discontinuances of Programs**

1. Create an MA in Italian Studies as a pilot project in RGRLL. Recommended to the senate on 9 October 2013.
2. Proposed new minor in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) in the Department of Linguistics. Recommended to the senate on 13 November 2013.
3. Request for discontinuance of the certificate in Wilderness Studies in the Department of Kinesiology. Recommended to the senate on 26 February 2014.
4. Request for discontinuance of four certificates in the Department of Recreation and Leisure. Recommended to the senate on 26 February 2014.

**Changes to the names of academic units**

1. Proposed name and program change from the Department of Criminal Justice to the School of Criminology, Criminal Justice, and Emergency Management. Recommended to the senate on 23 October 2013.
2. Proposal to change the name of the department and degrees from Communicative Disorders to Speech Language Pathology. Recommended to the senate on 13 November 2013.

**Revisions to charges of committees and councils**

1. Revision of the charge of the Teacher Preparation Committee, new name Educator Preparation Committee. Recommended to the senate on 9 April 2014.

**Revisions to existing and development of new university policy statements**

1. Amend the Requirements for Master’s Degrees Policy (PS 12-04) to eliminate unit sharing for concurrent master’s degrees. Recommended to the senate on October 23 2013.
2. Amend the Maximum Student Load Policy (PS 04-08) to redefine full time status for master’s and doctoral students. Recommended to the senate on October 23 2013.
3. Proposed policy on Creation of Agreements for International Exchange. Recommended to the senate on 13 November 2013.
4. Revision of PS 08-13 Honors for Undergraduate Students. Recommended to the senate on 12 February 2014.
5. Revision of PS 08-17 Honors for Graduate Students. Recommended to the senate on 12 February 2014.
6. Revision of PS 00-04 Academic Minors to incorporate changes recommended by the Provost’s Task Force on Curricular Reform. Recommended to the senate on 12 February 2014.
7. Revision of PS 13-07 Baccalaureate Degree Limits to incorporate changes recommended by the Provost’s Task Force on Curricular Reform. Recommended to the senate on 26 March 2014.

**Annual Reports of Committees that Report to the Council**

1. Academic Appeals Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013
2. Grade Appeals Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013.
3. International Education Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013.
4. University Library Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013.
5. General Education Governing Committee – Reviewed and accepted 25 September 2013.
6. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013.
7. Teacher Preparation Committee - Reviewed and accepted 11 September 2013.

**Appointment of Liaisons or Members to University Committees and the Senate**

1. Academic Senate - Christopher Brazier - 11 September 2013.
2. Academic Appeals Committee – Sabine Reddy - 11 September 2013.
3. General Education Governing Committee – Robin Richesson - 11 September 2013.
4. University Grade Appeals Committee – Connie Ireland - 11 September 2013.
5. International Education Committee – Terrence Graham - 11 September 2013.
6. Teacher Preparation Committee – Yu-Fu Ko - 11 September 2013.
7. University Library Committee – Deborah Thien – 9 October 2013.
8. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee – Terrence Graham – 9 October 2013.

**General Education Course List Supplements**

1. Approved Supplement 72 on 9 October 2013.
2. Approved Supplement 73 on 12 March 2014.

**Course Approvals**

1. Approved new course UNIV301 “Special Topics in Global Issues” on 25 September 2013.
2. Approved new course UNIV101 “Freshmen Seminar for Undeclared Students Interested in the Health Professions.” on 23 October 2013.

**General Overview**

This was a quiet year for new and discontinued programs, most other activities were typical of past years. We made several modifications to existing policy, mostly to correct problems or bring them into compliance with current practice, those changes (with some modifications) have already been approved by the senate. The council amended the minors policy based on recommendations from the Provost’s Task Force on Curricular Reform, this was also approved by the senate. The policy on degree program unit limits developed last year was amended also following the task force recommendations and is pending in the senate. The council revised a policy developed by the International Education Committee on “Creation of Agreements for International Exchange”. This policy combines and revises several existing policies and also matches current practice, it is pending in the senate.

**Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business. There were two curricular requests over summer that are pending for the new council.