



COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES FACULTY MEETING

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

4:00-5:30 p.m. CAS 522

Sherry Hour will be held in CAS 106 immediately following the meeting. Anyone attending the CAS Faculty Meeting is welcome.

AGENDA

1. Dean's Report
2. Matters Called Up from the Automatic Consent Agenda
3. Charge to all Departments and Programs: Developing Learning Outcomes Assessment Plans (See Walvoord Departmental Assessment, <http://www.bu.edu/cas/files/2011/12/Walvoord-Departmental-Assessment.pdf>)
4. "Quantitative and Computational Reasoning: A discussion about critical thinking skills in computer science, mathematics, and statistics for CAS students." Presentation and discussion prepared by Prof. Mark Crovella, Computer Science, Assoc. Prof. Glen R. Hall, Math & Stats, Prof. Eric Kolaczyk, Math & Stats, Prof. Tasso Kaper, Chair of Math & Stats, Assoc. Prof. Leo Reyzin, Computer Science and Prof. Stan Sclaroff, Chair of Computer Science.
5. Faculty Council Report
6. Other Business

Automatic Consent Business

Minutes of the March 20, 2013 Meeting

Recommendations for Approval:

The Graduate Academic Affairs Committee recommends approval of the following proposed new course:

GRS EC 733 Empirical Industrial Organization

The CAS Humanities Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following proposed new courses:

CAS LA 411 Hausa 7
CAS LA 412 Hausa 8
CAS LI 354 E Contemporary Italian Literature
CAS LI 355 E Italian Migrant Literature

The CAS Natural Sciences Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following proposed new courses:

CAS GE 475 / GRS GE 675 Urban Ecology
CAS MR 533 Scientific Diving and Underwater Research Methods

The CAS Social Sciences Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following proposed new courses:

CAS AN 532 Literacy and Islam in Africa
CAS AR 507 Lay of the Land: Surface and Subsurface Mapping in Archaeology
CAS EC 372 E The Irish Economy
CAS SO 439 / GRS SO 839
& CAS PO 425 Seminar: State Building and Failure in the Developing World

Reports to the Faculty:

The Academic Policy Committee (APC) reports final approval of the following:

1. A proposal from Department of Astronomy to establish an Astronomy Honors in the Major Program
2. A proposal from the Program in Biochemistry & Molecular Biology to establish a Biochemistry & Molecular Biology Honors in the Major Program

The APC reports review of new Kilachand Honors College freshman seminars, with assignments to CAS curricular divisions as follows:

1. KHC HF 101 Ethical Decision Making in the Real World (social sciences)
2. KHC HS 102 The Body Rewired: Reinventing Medicine through Human-Machine Interfaces (natural sciences, without lab)
3. KHC PO 101 America in an Age of Terrorism (social sciences)
4. KHC RS 103 History and the Novel (humanities)
5. KHC UC 102 Making Film, Thinking About Film, Talking About Film (humanities)
6. KHC VA 102 Spaces of Art: The Place of Art in the Contemporary Museum, Gallery, and Studio (humanities)

The next CAS Faculty meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 in CAS 522.