NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

ADMISSIONS POLICIES AND ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE (APASC)

Minutes of Meeting #159
December 9, 2009

Approved

Present: A. Radasanu (LAS); S. Arnett (HHS); J. Wolfskill (LAS/MATH); L. Marcellus (Council of Adv. Deans); E. Klonoski (VPA); J. Parker (EDUC/KNPE);

Ex Officio: S. Eaton (EDUC SERV & PROG); E. Seaver (VICE PROVOST); B. Burk (ADMISSIONS);

Absent: D. Wade (BUS/Management); B. Goldenberg (UCC); D. Cesarotti (EET/TECH); M. Gillis (TRANSFER CENTER); B. Hemphill (STUDENT AFFAIRS & ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT);

Student: Jennifer Harris (HHS/NUTRITION & DIETETICS)

Visitors: L. Allison (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS); S. Warber (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS)

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by E. Seaver.

I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by J. Wolfskill, seconded by J. Parker to adopt the agenda. Motion passed.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Approval of Minutes (11/11/09)

L. Marcellus noted two minor changes to the minutes.

It was moved by J. Wolfskill, seconded by J. Parker, to approve the 11/11/09 minutes with minor revisions. Motion passed.

B. Report from the Advising Deans

L. Marcellus had no report from the advising deans.

B. Burk indicated that the advising deans had approved the undergraduate catalog to be on-line only. The official undergraduate catalog has been on-line several years now, but they will no longer be printed saving the university over $10,000 annually.
III. OLD BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Curricular Items Referred from CUC

See Attachment #1

E. Seaver stated that the certificate of undergraduate study in the Department of Operations Management and Information Systems comes to APASC because of the language “achieve a minimum grade of a C in each course applied toward the certificate, and complete all certificate course work within a period of four calendar years”. E. Seaver raised the question of whether the four year rule was tracked or not.

S. Warber indicated that Registration and Records does not track the students. She said that the department checks that the student has met the requirements and then notifies Registration and Records. There is no evaluation or double checking done within the Office of Registration and Records; only the posting of the certificate.

S. Eaton asked if the certificate of undergraduate study in the Department of Operations Management and Information Systems was for business majors only and L. Marcellus indicated that it was for business majors only.

E. Seaver said that it would be an advantage to the university to track how many students earn certificates in certification programs. Presently we only track how many have graduated with a certificate of study.

S. Warber indicated that the college of Health and Human Sciences is interested in the tracking of students that have completed certificates of study. This would be done in the degree audit part of MyNIU, which is a phase II issue with PeopleSoft.

L. Marcellus moved to approve the language for the certificate of undergraduate study in the Department of Operations Management and Information Systems. S. Eaton seconded. Motion carried.

B. Wording Revision Referred from CUC

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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, Curriculum Committee Meeting #3(AY 09-10)

Minor in Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship

The CUC suggested that the last sentence of the first paragraph be revised to read:
“Retention in the business innovation and entrepreneurship minor requires a C or better in all courses in the minor. Enrollment in MGMT 427 is competitive based on the student’s overall GPA.”

It was moved by J. Parker, seconded by J. Wolfskill, to approve the revised language for the minor in Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Motion passed.

V. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by J. Wolfskill, seconded by J. Parker to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Allison.
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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS #7, October 27, 2009

Department of Operations Management and Information Systems

Other catalog change: Page 87, 2009-10 Undergraduate Catalog

Certificates of Undergraduate Study

Information Systems (9)
Coordinator: Steven Kispert, Department of Operations Management and Information Systems

This certificate is designed to provide non-OM&IS students with a set of courses focused on information systems and technology. Organizations depend on information technology to achieve competitive advantage. A certificate in information systems will allow students to understand how the application of information technology can improve business processes.

Students must maintain good academic standing within the university, achieve a minimum grade of a C in each course applied toward the certificate, and complete all certificate course work within a period of four calendar years. Only courses taken at NIU may be applied toward the certificate. Courses used to satisfy the requirements for the certificate may only be applied toward an undergraduate degree with approval of the major department. Some courses may have prerequisites that are not part of the certificate curriculum.

Students interested in the certificate should apply no later than the beginning of their final semester prior to graduation, but they are urged to apply as soon as they complete UBUS 310 so the coordinator may advise students regarding course scheduling. Applications are available in the Department of Operations Management and Information Systems.

Three of the following five OMIS courses:
OMIS 352, Managing Projects in Business (3)
OMIS 452, Database Management for Business (3),
OMIS 462, Business Systems Analysis, Design, and Development (3)
OMIS 475, Internet and Web Computing Technologies (3)
OMIS 478, Supply Chain Systems (3)

Rationale: This certificate provides College of Business students from all functional areas with a set of courses necessary to understand how information technology can improve various business processes.