

College of Science Curriculum Committee
Minutes of the November 9, 2006 meeting

Members Present: Sheryl Beach, Peter Becker, Estela Blaisten (chair), Tim Born, Rick Diecchio, Robert Ellsworth, Rebecca Goldin, Barry Klinger, Dimitri Klimov,

Members Absent: Geoffrey Birchard, Dan Cox, Barry Kronenfeld,

Guests Present: John Kopecky (Bioinformatics), Glenda Wilson (Bioinformatics)

Call to order. Meeting was called to order at 11:00am

1. Approval of minutes:

The minutes from the 10/26 meeting were approved.

2. Announcements and comments:

Course and program proposals should be submitted by either the department chair or the committee member representing that department. Submissions from other individuals will not be accepted. All materials should be sent to Assad (akhanf@gmu.edu) and only copy Drs. Becker and Diecchio.

Procedures for new course proposals, modifications and deletions are now online on the current curriculum committee website, <http://nano.gmu.edu/curriculum.html>.

An email address for the curriculum committee and a website will be set up with the help of the COS Director of Information Technology. The website will be password protected. Committee members and academic deans Becker and Diecchio will have access to the site.

Clarification on course deletions. There are two types of deletions: one from the catalog and one from the database. Attention should be paid to not reusing the course numbers deleted from the database for (presumably) five years.

Clarification on modification: course number change is a modification.

3. Review of course modifications

- **EOS 670 Approved (Change in title to reflect course content).
- **EOS 754 Approved (Change in title to reflect course content).
- **EOS 854 Approved (Change in number and title to reflect course content)
- **BIOS 703 Approved (Change in grading).
- **BIOS 898 Approved
- **BIOS 899 Approved.
- **CLIM 752-Approved.

4. Review of new courses

- **BINF 650 Approved. Was approved contingent to checking with ITE if the

database approach put forward in the course is not available in any other course.

5. Presentation of a new master's program

****MS in Bioinformatics Management-Approved with revisions.**

Questions/Issues raised

Overlap with existing Bioinformatics Certificate were discussed. Some clarification will be incorporated in the proposal, as well as minor corrections and format details.

5. Review of course deletions: Delayed until the November 30th meeting.

- ** BIOS 711 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 713 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 715 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 721 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 723 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 787 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**
- ** BIOS 788 deletion (MBB Dep) Postponed**

6. The next meeting date was set for November 30, 2006.

7. Everything not covered in this meeting was moved forward to the November 9th meeting as follows:

- **CSI 747 new course (CDS Dep)**