

Curriculum and Instruction Committee
Feb. 10, 2016

Present

Jane Fitzgibbon
Peter Hook
Fayette Keys
Joseph Rankin
Barrett Watten

Douglas Barnett
Patricia Jarosz
Diane Levine
Marsha Richmond

Jennifer Hart
Mahendra Kavdia
Leah Lowenberg
Naida Simon

Absent with Notice

Meghan Courtney
Aaron Martin

Qin Lai
Mark VanBerkum

Preethy Samuel

- 1) Notes from January 20, 2015 meeting were approved with no changes.
- 2) Joseph Rankin provided a full update on the roll out of the Credit Hour change. This included a detailed review of the new course-scheduling matrix.
 - a) He noted that the reason for the change was driven by the Provost's desire that *To recommend ways to simplify and clarify Wayne State's course-scheduling matrix by minimizing the number of overlapping course schedules and using insightful scheduling to help reduce time to degree.*
He further noted that the old schedule
 - *Resulted in inefficient classroom utilization; many courses are taught "out of matrix," with over-lapping time blocks.*
 - *Students and Departments have problems trying to plan schedules, that result in extended time to degree.*
 - *Complications with final exams*
 - *Students having issues not getting to their next class on time*
 - b) As of Feb. 10 there have been two workshops conducted. Deans and department schedulers were the target audience.
 - c) January 2017 is the target date to start.
 - d) Exceptions to this new schedule are the Law School, Medical School, Pharmacy, and the Business School's MBA program.
 - i) In addition to above Labs, Clinical, Internships, Performance and Art studio classes are exempt but should start on the hour or half hour.
 - e) All other classes will be at the 50 min. teaching blocks.
 - f) Normal daily schedule will begin @ 8:30 AM. Classes that start before this must end by 8:20 AM.
 - g) Classes will start on the hour or half hour depending on the number of credit hours. (See attached final_course_schedule_matrix_f_w_2.18.16.pdf)
 - h) The provost's office intends to survey students after implementation.
 - i) It is anticipated that the new schedule should help reduce the number of drops.
 - j) The full presentation is available on the provost's website @ http://provost.wayne.edu/undergrad/course_scheduling_matrix-jr.pdf
- 3) Dr. Rankin also advised the meeting that the new schedule for priority registration will start with Spring Summer registration.

4) Time did not allow for the planned open discussion of Online Classes – Policies on Quality etc. This was deferred to March meeting.

5) Meeting ended at 3:30.

JEF

March 8, 2016