

FOOTHILL COLLEGE
College Curriculum Committee
Fine Arts Division Curriculum Committee Minutes

Division: Fine Arts and Communication **Date of Meeting:** 3/8/16

Attendees: The meeting began at 2:37 pm with the following attendees: Preston Ni, Janis Stevenson, Paul Davies, Steve McGriff, Kristin Tripp Caldwell, Hilary Gomes (remotely).

Course actions:

Approval of deactivation exemption request forms

Course #	Course Title	Action(s)
MUS 7E	<i>History of the Blues</i>	<i>approved</i>
MUS 41	<i>Live Music Performance Workshop</i>	<i>approved</i>

Other Topics Discussed:

In an effort to meet State requirements for an ADT in music, Paul Davies reported on his efforts to reactivate MUS 4 A-C (the second year of music theory, which Foothill no longer offers but is required for the ADT). Further hurdles include “applied music” classes, which remain a formidable obstacle.

It was agreed that all Fine Arts departments should revisit/clarify their policy on accepting AP exams (i.e., can students “test out” of certain classes). Current policies are ambiguous or non-existent, suggesting the need for departmental colloquies.

Should Foothill’s GE standards be revisited? There was general agreement among attendees that moving Foothill’s GE standards toward alignment with UC and CSU standards is worthy of consideration. In some cases, our existing GE requirements are more rigorous than those of our sister systems. Robert Hartwell reported that the division between “arts” and “letters” within Foothill’s humanities GE pattern will be discontinued (the two categories will now be combined).

Reminder:

Spring Quarter deadline for new and updated curriculum for 2017-2018 is early June! Curriculum must be approved by both the division and college CC by June 17, so the longer you wait to submit the greater the likelihood that a course will miss committee approval or get lost in the shuffle.

Other Topics Discussed:

Faculty committee service.

No volunteers have stepped forward to take Suzanne Weller’s place on the College Curriculum Committee.

The meeting concluded at 3:05 pm.

Minutes: RH

Actions may include but are not limited to: general updates, substantial changes, changes for C-ID, updates to meet GE areas, number change, add distance learning addendum, etc.