

GAAC Meeting Minutes for 11/12/12

Attending: Donie Bret-Harte, John Yarie, Cheng-fu Chen, Laura Bender, John Eichelberger, Vince Cee (by phone), Mike Daku, Elizabeth Nadin (by phone), Franz Mueter (by phone), Lara Horstmann (by phone), Chung-sang Ng, Tim Bartholemaus, and invited guests James Bicigo and Karen Gustafson from the Music Department.

I. Minutes from the last GAAC meeting were approved.

II. Discussion with Karen Gustafson and James Bicigo. James and Karen wished to express their concerns to us about the upcoming proposal to institute a Master's of Music in Performance degree, and drop the existing Master's of Arts in Music degree program. There was much productive discussion. James and Karen thanked us for our time and attention. Lara Horstmann suggested that we also invite the Chair of the Music Department to speak to us about his perspective on this proposal. Vince will provide contact information. We will hear from the Chair at a future meeting.

III. GAAC reviewed and passed 1) a resolution reaffirming the requirement that both Master's theses and Master's projects should be archived by the Rasmuson Library and 2) a motion to change the UAF Catalog wording to state that students must maintain enrollment during the semester that they graduate.

IV. GAAC reviewed and passed the following courses:

2-Trial NRM F694 - Terrestrial Carbon Management

11-GNC New course: MSL F632 - Oceanographic Data Analysis and Visualization

25-GNC New course CHEM F671 - Receptor Pharmacology

In addition, we learned that the Anthropology Department would still like to proceed with 41-GNC New course ANTH F659 - Language and Prehistory being taught by a different instructor. They will make the requested changes (but these have not been received yet).

We discussed the ED program and course changes. It is a bit confusing, because the program change depends on the course changes, and these were being reviewed by different groups of people. We will reassign, so that the people who review the program changes also review the relevant courses. Tim and Vince agreed to do the M.Ed in Elementary Education. Elisabeth and Mike agreed to deal with the M.Ed. – concentration areas of language and literacy, cross-cultural education, and secondary education. Donie will revise the table of Assignments. We will also invite someone from the Education Department to explain the course changes and program modifications.

V. We ran out of time before completing all of the new assignments. Donie will send the table of assignments around again, with some of the gaps filled in.