Undergraduate Committee  
May 1, 2006  
Minutes  

Present: Annette Easton, Gary Grudnitski, Kathy Krentler, Bruce Reinig, Bill Sterk, Sandi Williams  
Absent: Chris Calvert (ABSC Representative)  

1. Curriculum Issues  
   a. BA 300 for Agribusiness Emphasis  
      The Committee reviewed a Change in Program to add BA 300 (Ethical Decision Making in Business) to requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Applied Arts & Sciences, Emphasis in Agribusiness, which is offered on the Imperial Valley Campus only. This program change brings the requirements for the Agribusiness program in line with all other SDSU business majors. The change was unanimously approved.  

   b. ACC 322 – Prerequisite Change  
      The Committee reviewed a change in prerequisite for ACC 322 – Integrative Accounting Topics II. Current prerequisites for this course are “Minimum grade of C in Accountancy 321. Credit or concurrent registration in Information & Decision Systems 390W.” Accounting wishes to add the following to the course’s prerequisites: “Completed Writing Proficiency Assessment or Transfer Writing Assessment (taken after June 2002) with a score of 8 or higher (or earned a C or higher in RWS 95, RWS 96, RWS 280, RWS 281, or LING 281 if score on WPA or TWA was 7 or lower); and completed General Education requirements in Composition and Critical Thinking. Proof of completion of prerequisite required: Test score or verification of exemption; copy of transcript.  

      Discussion of the proposal led the Committee to conclude that the addition appears to be redundant and would add little beyond what can now be accomplished by careful enforcement of the existing prerequisite. The Committee voted to table the proposal and return it to Accounting for reconsideration.  

   c. ACC 505 – New Course Proposal  
      The Committee reviewed a new course proposal for ACC 505 – Fraud Examination. This course has been taught as an experimental course (ACC 596) for the past three years. The proposal was unanimously approved.  

2. Lower Division Transfer Pattern (LDTP)  
   Grudnitski reviewed the history of the LDTP (lower division transfer pattern) process for the Committee. LDTP is an effort by the CSU and California community colleges systems to assure students that the courses they take at California community colleges will be transferable to any CSU campus.
Descriptors for the courses that make up the statewide, LDTP for business are now undergoing a drafting/ratifying/posting process for the benefit of community colleges. When these community college courses are articulated to the descriptors, community colleges will have gained agreement for articulation to all 23 CSU campuses. In the interim, the Chancellor’s Office is asking the individual CSU campuses to consider allowing, for a period of up to two years, certain community college courses identified by a California Articulation Number (CAN), to satisfy part of the Business LDTP. Discussion of this request, led the Committee to conclude that reverting to an outdated system does not satisfy transferability or course equivalency requirements, and is a step backward from the current process followed to assure students who transfer to SDSU are academically prepared to succeed at the upper division.

3. Assessment Update
Krentler informed the Committee that assessment of written communication is proceeding. A committee comprised of Gretchen Vik, Carol Venable, and Martha Kennedy have met to evaluate a sample of writing from majors across the College. Results of the assessment have not yet been received.

4. Meeting Schedule for Upcoming Year
Sterk requested that the Committee’s meeting schedule for the 2006-2007 academic year be clarified as every 2nd and 4th Monday, rather than every other Monday to avoid conflicts with commitments that occur regularly on the 3rd Monday of the month. The Committee agreed to this change for the next academic year.

5. Committee Composition
Grudnitski, the chair of the Committee, thanked all members for their efforts over the academic year that is coming to a conclusion. Members Annette Easton and Bruce Reinig, who are completing their terms, were especially thanked. Both Annette and Bruce indicated a willingness to be nominated to stand for re-election on the Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.
This is the last meeting of the 2005-2006 academic year