

3. Honors Courses

Escoto and/or Carolyn Holcroft—both will attend Plenary.

Speaker: Bernie Day

Recent trend of some new honors courses adding 1 unit (compared to regular version of course), which could be considered equity issue. For a resident student, that's \$31 more; for a nonresident student, almost \$200 more. No central group to discuss honors courses, which is why topic brought to CCC. Day noted particular issue of tight unit counts on ADTs and potential inability to include honors course on an ADT. Course substitution might be an option for students, but the CCCCO has been more restrictive regarding substitution for local courses than for courses taken at other colleges. PSME rep noted that adding content in STEM honors courses, in particular, does at times necessitate additional unit. Question regarding if honors courses are supposed to include more work—Day responded that honors courses offer an enhanced learning experience. Question regarding

Currency.

Group agreed to consider Apprenticeship courses under separate discussion/vote. The following courses discussed individually and voted on as a group, with the option to pull any course for an individual vote.

COMM 54A: Course has been revised to add more units. Plan to offer in spring 2017.

ENGL 7: Approved during last year s process but was not offered; plan to offer in fall 2017.

HIST 19: Did not have qualified faculty to teach; division hoping to hire faculty soon. Hoping to offer in winter or spring 2018; will not ask for another extension if course does not run.

HIST 54H: These seminar courses tend to be instructor-specific and not as regular as other courses. Plan for collaboration between history and another department to offer in winter or spring 2018. PSME rep noted that division has similar courses and the nature of such courses is that they could go years without being taught. Suggestion that Banner/catalog include information for students regarding frequency of courses being offered—other colleges publish such information in their catalog. LaManque noted concern of such information being unreliable, if course ends up not running.

LINC 72B, 79, 80A, 85A, 86: PSME rep noted confusion with language related to “outreach to K-12 schools” and question as to whether LINC department is going to begin teaching K-12 students. Fine Arts rep clarified that department teaches K-12 faculty, not students. LaManque noted that department is in transition; concern as to whether or not course will run. Fine Arts rep will adjust language on forms for clarity.

MDIA 81B: Cross-listing with MTEC 57A, which has been offered.

MTEC 86A: No discussion.

MUS 7E: Plan to offer in fall 2017, as part of faculty s Article 19.

MUS 41: Hoping to include on Music ADT; division has not had faculty willing to teach as 1 unit course but has now found faculty willing to revise COR and teach course to keep it on the books.

NCEL 400, 402: Language Arts rep noted courses initially developed under noncredit division; plan to offer both in fall 2017 (or summer 2018 if COR is revised).

PHOT 22: Course was popular when last offered. Division has identified faculty to teach course; plan to offer in spring 2018 (faculty currently on PDL).

PHOT 68C: Division has identified faculty to teach course; plan to offer in spring 2018 (faculty currently on PDL).

POLI 54H: New faculty in division eager to offer course.

SPAN 10A: Plan to offer in spring 2017.

SPAN 111: Plan to offer in spring 2017.

THTR 26: Difficulty finding faculty to teach course; currently scheduled for spring 2017 but having tough time getting enrollment. Dean is putting emphasis on enrollment. Future plan is to offer course online, hoping for more success.

LaManque reminded the group that policy was developed to help keep catalog clean and accurate. Day noted that some of the courses reviewed today are UC transferable and articulated for majors—transfer institutions see courses listed in catalog and expect students to have completed such courses, as they have no way of knowing that courses are not being scheduled.

Group declined to pull out any courses to not include in vote. Motion to approve **M/S**