

# UConn

## NEAG SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

### Curricula & Courses Committee

To: C&C Committee Members

From: John Zack, Chair

Date: October 18, 2023

Re: Minutes of the Curricula & Courses Committee Meeting held October 17, 2023

In attendance via Microsoft Teams: John Zack, Rachael Gabriel, Alex Freidus, Adam McCready, Mike Young, Ann Traynor, Dorothea Anagnostopoulos and Diane Matteau

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- 1) Approval of September, 2023 meeting minutes
  - *John Zack began the meeting at 10:05am. Adam made a motion to approve the September minutes, Ann seconded, and all voted in favor to approve (5-0).*
- 2) Gen Ed Transitions
  - a) **EDLR 2001: Contemporary Social Issues in Sport**  
**Explanation:** Common Curriculum Syllabus Updates (see attached spreadsheet and syllabus)  
  
**APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT:** September 15, 2023  
**APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS:** September 15, 2023  
**APPROVAL BY C&C COMMITTEE:** October 17, 2023
  - b) **EPSY 1100: Introduction to Special Education**  
**Explanation:** Common Curriculum Syllabus Updates (see attached spreadsheet and syllabus)  
  
**APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT:** September 8, 2023  
**APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS:** October 12, 2023  
**APPROVAL BY C&C COMMITTEE:** October 17, 2023
  - c) **EPSY 1450W: Mind Body Health**  
**Explanation:** Common Curriculum Syllabus Updates (see attached spreadsheet and syllabus)  
  
**APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT:** September 8, 2023  
**APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS:** October 12, 2023  
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  - d) **EPSY 1830: Critical and Creative Thinking in the Movies**  
**Explanation:** Common Curriculum Syllabus Updates (see attached spreadsheet and syllabus)  
  
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e) **EPSY 2810: Creativity: Debunking Myths and Enhancing Innovation**

**Explanation:** Common Curriculum Syllabus Updates (see attached spreadsheet and syllabus)

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- *Zack reviewed the syllabus changes above for EDLR and EPSY. Adam moved to approve the slate of Gen Ed Transitions, Rachael seconded, and a unanimous vote was given (5-0).*

3) Course Revisions

a) **EPSY 5315: Counseling: Advanced Practice (CAR 23-22086)**

**Explanation:** We would like to update the course title to more accurately reflect the course focus. Currently, we are finding that graduate students are finding the course title to be confusing. The current title is "Counseling: Advanced Practice," but we would like to update the course title to "Counseling Techniques."

**Current Catalog Copy:**

5315. Counseling: Advanced Practice

3.00 credits

Prerequisites: EPSY 5308.

Grading Basis: Graded

Continuing the work begun in EPSY 5308; to strengthen and extend helping skills.

**Proposed Catalog Copy:**

5315. Counseling Techniques

3.00 credits

Prerequisites: EPSY 5308.

Grading Basis: Graded

Continuing the work begun in EPSY 5308; to strengthen and extend helping skills.

- *Zack reviewed the title change for EPSY 5315 and opened it up for discussion.*
- *Alex made a motion to approve, Adam seconded, and all voted in favor of the title change (5-0).*

**APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT:** October 11, 2023

**APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS:** October 11, 2023

**APPROVAL BY C&C COMMITTEE:** October 17, 2023

**APPROVAL BY NEAG FACULTY:** October 27, 2023

4) Program Revisions

a) **Teacher Certification Program for College Graduates (GPAR 23-SINC-67MAD6)**

**Current Catalog Copy:**

Curriculum and Instruction MA

Agricultural Education (PK-12) and Secondary Education (Grades 7-12). Secondary Education includes: English Education, World Language Education (American Sign Language, French, German, Italian, Latin, Mandarin Chinese, or Spanish), History and Social Studies Education, Mathematics Education, or Science Education (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, General Science, or Physics). Plan B (Non-Thesis) Required Courses: EDCI 5050, 5055, 5060, 5065, 5070, 5080, 5085, 5092, 5825, 5830, 5875; nine credits of EDCI 5090; three credits of EDCI 5830; EPSY 5108. Required courses total 45 credits.

**Proposed Catalog Copy:**

Curriculum and Instruction MA

Agricultural Education (PK-12) and Secondary Education (Grades 7-12). Secondary Education includes: English Education, World Language Education (American Sign Language, French, German, Italian, Latin, Mandarin Chinese, or Spanish), History and Social Studies Education, Mathematics Education, or Science Education (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, General Science, or Physics). Plan B (Non-Thesis) Required Courses: EDCI 5050, 5060, 5065, 5070, 5080, 5085, 5092, 5830, 5875; nine credits of EDCI 5090; one credit of EPSY 5221; EPSY 5108. Required courses total 40 credits.

- *Zack reviewed the above TCPCG program revision. Dorothea said the goal for this was to move from 2 summer semesters to 1 which will lower the cost and make our program more competitive. Ann made a motion to approve, Zack seconded, and all voted in favor (5-0).*

**APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT:** September 29, 2023

**APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS:** October 4, 2023

**APPROVAL BY C&C COMMITTEE:** October 17, 2023

**APPROVAL BY NEAG FACULTY:** October 27, 2023

**b) Teacher Certification Program for College Graduates (GPAR 23-SINC-LYD9P4)**

**Current Catalog Copy:**

Educational Psychology MA

Concentration in Special Education (Grades PK-12). Required courses: EDCI 5050, 5055, 5060, 5065; EPSY 5092 (three credits), 5113, 5116, 5119, 5121, 5123, 5141, 5140, 5142, 5195 (three credits), 5221 (one credit), and 5396 (nine credits). Required courses total 52 credits.

**Proposed Catalog Copy:**

Educational Psychology MA

Concentration in Special Education (Grades K-12). EDCI 5050, 5060, 5065; EPSY 5092 (three credits), 5113, 5116, 5121, 5123, 5141, 5140, 5195 (three credits), 5221 (one credit), and 5396 (nine credits). Required courses total 46 credits.

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- *Zack reviewed the second program revision for TCPCG and the similar changes.*
- *Ann noted that the **current catalog copy should read Grades K-12 and the proposed catalog copy should read Grades PK-12**, as this was recently changed in the Comprehensive Special Education #165 endorsement guidelines. The GPAR will be sent back to have Tracy update.*
- *Alex made a motion to approve this revision, Adam seconded, and all voted in favor (5-0).*

**5) Miscellaneous**

**a) Proposal for adding alternates to C&C Committee**

- *After a group discussion on whether or not to add alternates to C&C, it was decided to leave things as is. If faculty want to join a meeting to see the process, they are more than welcome and will be provided meeting materials beforehand. Zack will let Mike Coyne know.*
- *The meeting adjourned at 10:33am.*