Programs, Courses, and Curriculum (PCC) Committee

Members: Paul Jaeger, Ping Wang (via phone), Vedat Diker, Niklas Elmqvist, Kathy
                   Weaver, Joanne Briscoe, Lindsay Sarin, Ann Weeks, Chair
Ex Officio: Brian Butler
Staff: Tricia Donovan

Minutes
April 2016

General Business

- Approval of February Minutes
    o **ACTION**: Approved
- Reminder of March vote via email
    o **ACTION**: Confirmation of vote by email
- Discussion by Brian
    o Brian came in to talk to PCC regarding structural changes to College
      organization. The directors discussed possible organizational structures with the
      creation of the new Director of Academic Programs position.
    o Brian also discussed program student numbers, the undergraduate program, and
      the recruiting strategy for Fall 2017.

Action Requested – Approval of New Courses

- Undergraduate courses
    o Decision Making for Information Science
        ▪ Vedat gave an overview of the new specialization course. Ann asked if
          statistics was covered in the course, and Vedat said yes, however the
          statistics course goes into much more detail.
        ▪ **ACTION**: Approved
    o Introduction to Programming for Information Science
        ▪ Vedat gave an overview of the course, which is a prerequisite course for
          much of the content in the undergraduate program. Vedat detailed
          including specific prerequisites so that it cannot be considered a gen ed.
        ▪ **ACTION**: Approved
- Special Topics
    o Hackers Pranksters Thieves: Fundamentals of Cybersecurity
        ▪ Ann gave an overview of this special topics course. The committee raised
          concerns about adding this class to the fall schedule. Additionally, the
          syllabus needs to be more detailed, in particular the readings section.
        ▪ **ACTION**: The committee recommends that the course be added to the
          SPRING 2017 schedule, and that the syllabus come back to PCC with
          more detail in the readings, learning objectives, activities or justification
          of percentage structure, standard elements of university syllabus, and more
          explicit course schedule.

Action Requested – Modification of Courses

- Update to Course Titles
  - Introduction to Data Science (INST737)
  - Advanced Data Science (INST750)
    - Kathy gave an overview of the course name to be more sequential and for the transcript.
    - The committee discussed changing the numbers to be more sequential.
    - **ACTION**: Approved

Please Note the Future Spring Meeting Dates (room 2116)

- May 17 – 10am-11:30am