

January Academic Council

Adjustments were made to Policy 5:015 (Workload) to respond to schedule changes at FCC.

1. Adjunct faculty at FCC cannot exceed maximum loads operant on campus. The maximum load is 11 hrs per semester. A request was made for Academic Council as a whole to fully review the current workload policy across the campus with particular focus on the arts and sciences.
2. The Women's Studies program has requested a change in name to Women's and Gender Studies program. Approval was made on campus but will have to be approved by TBR. Additionally HHP 3410 was added as an elective for students pursuing this program.
3. The Art department received approval to remove 4150(Senior Seminar) as a requirement and to convert the four hour requirement to increased studio options. Art 4150 has been their capstone course .
4. Physics and Astronomy received campus approval to restore labs to four courses accidentally dropped in a curricular revision 5-10 years ago. Two new courses (Csc 2000, Programming and Data Structures) and Eng 2700, Science Writing, were added as requirements to the physics major. Marcy Maurer indicated that the change in total hours may exceed the TBR threshold requiring them to approve the changes in regard to total hours modified .
5. Public Management and Criminal Justice, FCC, reduced from 24 hrs the minimum substitutions to 21. Students frequently end up with 119 hrs instead of 120 for graduation and have to take a 1 hour course somewhere across campus to graduate. The four courses in Criminal Justice (CRJ 4125,4210,4230 and 4150) were added to their course inventory in response to student demand particularly in the Criminal Justice major with a concentration in Homeland Security.