

**Middle Georgia State University
Academic Affairs Committee
Meeting #3 Fall 2021
October 22, 2021 10:00 AM**

Present: Andrew Reeves (Chairman), Shannon Beasley (acting recorder), Amanda Smith, Rhonda Amerson, Loretta Clayton, William Cole, James Decker, Estella Dennard, Kevin Floyd, Michael Gibbons, Sheree Keith, Renat Khatmullin, Alex Koohang, Viktoriya Lanier, William Lowery, Gerald Lucas, Benita Muth, Stacey O'Neal, Rachel Podwolsky, Laura Thomason, Mary Wearn, Adam Young

1. Meeting called to order 10:01 AM
2. Approval of last minutes meeting achieved electronically
3. Approval of Agenda (motion: Khatmullin / Beasley) -

students to progress through additional degrees and certificates. This aligns courses in multiple degrees and streamlines potential student progression.

Question (Gerald Lucas) Why add a requirement vs an elective, if the goal is to support student choice over sculpting the classes taken? Answer offered (Benita Muth): To avoid allowing student to craft interdisciplinary nature by removing an area of the program. To facilitate the rotation of the choices while maintaining availability to the student in terms of offerings (avoid bottleneck in advising). Answer offered (Mary Wearn): effectively scheduling was removing choice by reducing options due to scheduling/availability. This also supports the addition of new tracks/concentrations.

Question (Andrew Reeves): Do we have partners lined up for the internship? Answer (Benita Muth): Currently there are no existing arrangements in place, but graduate assistants are currently in place in paid positions in the writing center. Having an internship would support potential teachers in achieving credentialing. Also supports development of partnerships. Opportunities for graduate assistants on campus.

Comment (Loretta Clayton): This strengthens programs and promotes use of graduate assistants.

Question (Adam Young): Does this constitute substantive change? answer (Andrew Reeves): Yes.

Propose approval of technical writing and technical / professional writing certificates (motion: Cole / Khatmullin) – motion carries

Propose accepting new courses: ENGL 6200, ENGL 5990, ENGL 5900, ENGL 5700 (motion: Lowery / Khatmullin) – motion carries

5. Program modification for IT – presented by Kevin Floyd

Proposed change to BSIT - adding a 21 hr concentration in technology entrepreneurship: 15 hr required courses / 6hr ITEC or business electives

Asking for approval of a new concentration and included new courses 0.28 (1-17-11) 2d5p- 7 0 > BL

Question

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon Beasley