

ACN Meeting Minutes November 20, 2007

Members Present:

K. Barnes, S. Blair, J. Broskowski, T. Buss, S. Chetney, G. Chiaverina, C. Clark, T. Current, T. Danner, K. Drout, J. Dvorak, L. Fitzenberger, C. Franklin, G. Gilbert, S. Gruzis, D. Gygi, J. Hawkins, T. Hill, B. Hinshaw, L. Hoeft, D. Holloway, A. Joseph, S. Kaempfer, C. Kaye, J. Klumpp, M. Knasinski, K. Koncki, L. Lampkins, K. Maertens, H. Matera, R. McGraw, S. Mitchell, L. Molina, A. Northrup, K. Omachinski, D. Patnode, V. Provost, J. Rahmer, K. Raymond, K. Roosevelt, J. Schiedt, B. Simon, J. Singer, B. Thomas, G. Wallander, J. Wishman, A. Wrench, S. Zlotocha

Beth Warner, Jon Lenichek, Bob Meyer, Enrollment Services

UWM is the last UW campus to have distributed a printed schedule of classes – starting in Spring 2008, the schedule is exclusively online. The 1200 changes that were requested after the last printed schedule was published necessitated a change. The online schedule is designed to work with what students see in PAWS. Changes are made nightly; the new online schedule is more esthetically pleasing than the former one, displays all four semesters at once, is organized alphabetically by department, and will soon add multidisciplinary programs to this area too. (These are available now in the pdf version.) The left hand column contains all the necessary policies and procedures to register.

Clicking on the link to expand the list of courses in each department will reveal all lectures and discussion sections, prerequisites, special course fees, etc. Students can open PAWS in a separate window through this site and move back and forth between them. There is now an advanced search capability by key word, GER, times, course type, etc. also.

There will be a pdf version (not updated regularly) available at the beginning of each term that replicates the format of the old schedule of classes.

Center for International Education

Forty people staff this center, established in 2000. It is located in Garland/Pearse Halls, first floor, www.international.uwm.edu, main line 229-3757. It is an umbrella organization for international issues on campus: student advising, study abroad and exchange programs, international student admissions, academic programs, Institute of World Affairs, research support for faculty, immigration advising, inter-institutional partnerships, and professional development for teachers.

Academic Programs:

Global studies BA degree program (180 students enrolled)

Certificate programs (Asian studies, Middle Eastern and North African studies, Peace studies, Russian and Eastern European studies)

Tracy Buss, tbuss@uwm.edu, students M-Z, Andrea Joseph, aherbert@uwm.edu, students A-L

International student and scholar services office:

743 students from 77 countries, most are from India (122) and China (113)
10% of all graduate students, one-third of doctoral degrees granted
International admissions processing (grad and undergrad) –
Katja Maertens-Wilsing, Heidi Matera, Jen Singer, iss@uwm.edu
International student advising and immigration advising – Kim Omachinski
komachin@uwm.edu,) Brooke Thomas (bathomas@uwm.edu)

Study Abroad Program:

Over 30 exchange programs and 40 short-term faculty-led programs
600 students studied abroad in 2006-2007, and the numbers are growing.
Study Abroad Fair to be held February 20, 2008 in the Union.
March 14, 2008: deadline for summer and fall programs
Coordinators: Sharon Chetney, Gail Gilbert, Rachel McGraw, Pearse 166,
www.overseas.uwm.edu, 229-5182

English 101/105 Update

Message from Sandra Brusin (sandyb@uwm.edu) of the Department of English – Only 18 sections of English 105 are offered for the spring semester due to budget constraints. Three types of students will benefit most from this class: students coming directly from English 095, students with a Level 1 on the placement test, and students taking English 101 for the third time.

Announcements:

There is a limited supply of funds available for ACN webinars/teleconferences this year. Departmental support is needed to offer more, and the cost is approximately \$475 for each conference.

Dan Patnode will be teaching a new course in spring called “Indians, Artists and Conquistadors: The U.S. Southwest.” This is offered as a topic course through Ethnic Studies 250.

Cathy Kaye promoted the value of introductory ESL courses for students this spring.

Kristin Roosevelt spoke about the usefulness of the recent NACADA conference in Baltimore, including sessions on the uses of technology and a description of a first year experience course.

Johanna Dvorak announced that TARC (Tutoring and Academic Resource Center) will provide walk-in tutoring for many courses over UWinteriM.