

Academic Affairs Committee
Minutes for October 29, 2013
Approved November 19, 2013

Members present: Patricia Murphy, Dan Jones, Andrea Dziubek, Roger Cavallo, Linda Weber, Elizabeth Campbell, Daryl Lee, John Lasher.

1. Committee approved the minutes of the September 19, 2013 meeting.
2. The committee tabled approval of the minutes of April 16, 2013 meeting until the November meeting in order to review more fully.
3. D. Lee reminded members of Academic Affairs that Middle States General Education working group is looking for a member to represent the committee. Interested members may email the chair of AA.
4. D. Lee informed the committee that no meetings of the Middle States working groups on Standards 1 or 6 have met, but that once the meetings take place he will inform AA of the tasks assigned to the committee.
5. Committee discussed the SUNYIT transfer grade policy in light of SUNY's mandate for campuses to establish such a policy. J. Lasher informed the committee that SUNYIT currently does not have a campus-wide uniform policy; rather individual programs transfer in courses in different ways. The committee recognized that the adoption of a campus-wide policy would have the effect of determining the minimum grade that native students would be required to earn in order to earn credit for a course. The committee expressed general consensus that programs should be able to maintain a minimum C grade requirement for required/core courses in their major. Discussion then focused on the appropriate minimum grade requirement for other courses, in particular General Education courses and elective courses; the pros and cons of a C, C-, D+, and D minimum transfer grade for such courses was discussed.
6. D. Lee requested that in preparation for the next meeting that members review the documents related to Undergraduate TA policies and review the Civil Engineering four year program as a possible standard template for publishing Four Year Program plans.
7. Meeting adjourned.

Amended 11/19/2013.