

**Natural Science
Division Curriculum Committee
September 4, 2014**

Attendees: J. Gard, S. Stolovy, B. Carey, S. Leonelli, S.V. Lloyd, T. Bui, S. Potter, A. Osanyinpeju, C. Koti, J. Shankweiler

1. 2014-2015 timeline

The fall 2014 and spring 2015 courses for review were examined and approved by the members present. The discussion about 50's courses inactivation met with agreement that the courses were no longer needed. Anatomy 30 and Microbiology 33 are being reviewed. T. Bui indicated she tried to open the Anatomy 30 course but had difficulties. J. Shankweiler will contact the curriculum office. K. Coti expressed the wish to be involved with the Chemistry 7A/7B review. S. Potter will make sure the first draft from P. Doucette will be sent to her. The fall and spring review schedules were approved.

2. Fall Review

The fall CCC deadlines for the Natural Science division were reviewed. The deadline for DCC review was Aug 29, so we already missed that deadline. The chemistry, astronomy and biology 50 courses had all been reviewed and T. Bui sent them to the CCC, so they should make the CCC review date of 9/23/14.

3. Carryover from Spring 2014

- Ocean 10 – The course had been reviewed by DCC last spring, however, when working with the curriculum advisor, the recommended preparation was changed from English 84 only, to English 84 and English A, to match the writing assignments in the class. The CCC requested department and DCC approval before proceeding. The Earth Science approved the change at the flex day meeting. The DCC approved the change, with a unanimous vote.
- Phys 1A – the non-course prerequisite of high school physics needs a justification. T. Bui is meeting with S.Prieto tomorrow to get the changes completed.

4. DCC Review Checklist

J. Shankweiler reported that the curriculum advisor says our proposals forwarded have improved. However, Jean noted we still get courses sent back, most commonly because the justifications for a pre-requisite or recommended preparation are not included, or the entry skills have not been matched to the prerequisite courses. The DCC needs to be more diligent in our review. The DCC checklist was provided to all DCC members and reviewed.