



Borough of Manhattan Community College  
The City University of New York  
Curriculum Committee of the Academic Senate

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Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2017 at 2:00pm in MC-N767

I. CALL TO ORDER at 2:10pm

I.A. In attendance: Sangeeta Bishop, Erwin Wong, Carei Thomas, Eugenia Yau, Janice Walters, Lesley Rennis, Ken Levinson, Judy Eng, Joel Hernandez, Don Wei, Fred Peskoff, Everett Flannery, Mohammad Alam, Maria Enrico, Eval Kolbusz-Kijne, Joyce Harte, Josh Wolfson, Chris Stein

II. APPROVAL OF THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES of May 10, 2017.

II.A. The minutes were approved with two revisions:

II.A.1. In section III.A.3 add Masha Komolova as presenter

II.A.2. In section III.A.13 remove Masha Komolova as a presenter

II.B. The Committee also voted on and approved the minutes of the April 5, 2017 meeting

III. CURRICULUM PROPOSALS & REVISIONS

III.A. PRESENTATIONS

**Presenters:**

**Description:**

**Vote:** Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.1. New Course: ARB 107 Elementary Arabic for Speakers of Arabic

**Presenters:**Hassen Bettaieb

**Description:** This course is part of a broader effort by the department to increase the course offerings for heritage speakers

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.2. Pathways Course: ARB 107 Elementary Arabic for Speakers of Arabic

**Presenters:** Hassen Bettaieb

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.3. New Course: ARB 200 Arabic III

**Presenters:** Hassen Bettaieb

**Description:** This adds a much needed intermediate language option.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.4. Pathways Course: ARB 200 Arabic III

**Presenters:** Hassen Bettaieb

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.5. New Course: SPN 131 Beginning Spanish for Health Care Providers

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Introductory Spanish course targeted at students who plan to enter the health care field

**Vote:** This proposal was tabled. Motion to table passed 15-0-0.

III.A.6. Pathways Course: SPN 131 Beginning Spanish for Health Care Providers

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** This proposal was tabled. Motion to table passed 15-0-0.

III.A.7. New Course: SPN 471 Literature and Civilization of Spain

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This is a more advanced course that allows advanced Spanish speakers the chance to more thoroughly investigate the literature and culture of Spain.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.8. Pathways Course: SPN 471 Literature and Civilization of Spain

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.9. New Course: CHI 107 Elementary Chinese for Heritage Speakers

**Presenters:**Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** This course is part of a broader effort by the department to increase the course offerings for heritage speakers

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.10. Pathways Course: CHI 107 Elementary Chinese for Heritage Speakers

**Presenters:**Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.11. New Course: CHI 170 Literature, Culture and Civilization of China

**Presenters:**Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** Affords students the chance to learn about Chinese literature, culture and civilization without being fluent in Chinese. This course is held in English.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.12. Pathways Course: CHI 170 Literature, Culture and Civilization of China

**Presenters:**Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.13. New Course: SPN 121 Elementary Intensive Spanish 1 & 2

**Presenters:**Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This course is designed to combine two semesters of the language into one intensive class that could be offered over the summer period. This approach has seen success at other colleges.

**Vote:** Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.14. Pathways Course: SPN 121 Elementary Intensive Spanish 1 & 2

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.15. New Course: ITL 121 Elementary Intensive Italian 1 & 2

**Presenters:** Maria Enrico

**Description:** This course is designed to combine two semesters of the language into one intensive class that could be offered over the summer period. This approach has seen success at other colleges.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.16. Pathways Course: ITL 121 Elementary Intensive Italian 1 & 2

**Presenters:** Maria Enrico

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.17. New Course: FRN 121 Elementary Intensive French 1 & 2

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** This course is designed to combine two semesters of the language into one intensive class that could be offered over the summer period. This approach has seen success at other colleges.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.18. Pathways Course: FRN 121 Elementary Intensive French 1 & 2

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.19. New Course: CHI 203 Chinese Popular Culture and Conversation

**Presenters:** Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** This second-level language course steeps students in written and oral Chinese through the lens of popular Chinese culture.

**Vote:** Approved Pending Revisions. Motion to approve the new course pending revisions passed 15-0-0.

**Revisions:** The Committee requested to change the language in the syllabus to remain in the third person (ie remove references to “you” when writing about required student actions).

III.A.20. Pathways Course: CHI 203 Chinese Popular Culture and Conversation

**Presenters:** Chun-Yi Peng

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.21. New Course: FRN 160 French Caribbean Literature in Translation

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** This English language engages students in the literature of the French Caribbean through English translations. Students are able and encouraged to read and write in French if able.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.22. Pathways Course: FRN 160 French Caribbean Literature in Translation

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.23. New Course: FRN 161 French-Speaking Women Writers in Translation

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** This English language course engages students in the literature of the French-speaking women writers through English translations. Students are able and encouraged to read and write in French if able.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.24. Pathways Course: FRN 161 French-Speaking Women Writers in Translation

**Presenters:** Sophie Marinez

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.25. New Course: SPN 485 New York Literature in Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This is a more advanced course that allows advanced Spanish speakers the chance to more thoroughly investigate literature related to New York that is written in Spanish.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.26. Pathways Course: SPN 485 New York Literature in Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.27. New Course: SPN 108 Introductory Spanish II for Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This course is part of a broader effort by the department to increase the course offerings for heritage speakers

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.28. Pathways Course: SPN 108 Introductory Spanish II for Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.29. New Course: SPN 207 Intermediate Spanish I For Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This course is part of a broader effort by the department to increase the course offerings for heritage speakers

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.30. Pathways Course: SPN 207 Intermediate Spanish I For Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.31. New Course: SPN 211 Intermediate Spanish II For Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** This course is part of a broader effort by the department to increase the course offerings for heritage speakers

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the new course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.32. Pathways Course: SPN 211 Intermediate Spanish II For Speakers of Spanish

**Presenters:** Silvia Alvarez-Olarra

**Description:** Pathways inclusion for the course in the World Cultures and Global Issues Flexible Core bucket.

**Vote:** Approved. Motion to approve the Pathways course passed 15-0-0.

III.A.33. New Course: COM 100 Introduction to Communication Studies

This course was not presented and no vote was taken.

III.A.34. Course Revision: COM 255 Intercultural Communication

This course was not presented and no vote was taken.

III.B. VOTE AND TALLY

III.B.1. The Committee voted by paper ballot and the tallies were counted by Sangeeta Bishop and Chris Stein and reported as listed above. All vote totals are listed in the following order: yes-no-abstain.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

V. NEW BUSINESS

V.A. Election: Committee Chair/Co-Chair

V.A.1. Maria Enrico and Leslie Rennis were elected as co-chairs.

V.B. Election: Committee Secretary

V.B.1. Chris Stein was elected secretary.

V.C. Election: Committee Liaison to the Academic Senate

V.C.1. Janice Walters was elected as liaison.

V.D.

V.E. Pathways

V.E.1. Fall Deadline October 4

V.E.2. Vote on whether to require department minutes to reflect that course is being submitted for pathways.

V.E.2.1. The Committee voted to approve a motion to require that department minutes reflect that the department voted to submit a course for Pathways approval.

V.E.2.2. The Curriculum Committee will also include approval of Pathways submission as a separate agenda item and voting line.

VI. ADJOURNMENT at 3:20pm

Respectfully submitted by Chris Stein, Secretary