Agenda 'The agenda from hell' Curric Affairs Comm 4 April 2012

- 1. Approve minutes from previous meeting
- 2. Report from subcommittee: GERK Alex Fitts
- 3. Report from subcommittee: (stacking): Anthony
- 3. Review and (dammit!) approval of 4 new Minors

This is from the Dept of Geography, which currently lists a minor in 'geography'

A. New Minor-- Geographic Information Systems (GIS): 17 credits comprised of GEOG F111X,

6. THREE Motions from Core Review Committee for our consideration Submitted by Core Review Committee 19 March 2012

Motion#1:

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to adopt the recommendation of the

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to amend the UAF Faculty Senate Bylaws, Section 3, Article V: Committees, subsection E, Permanent Committees.6. and to approve the Core Review Committee's authority to revoke O or W status						

sure students successfully complete classes and earn degrees. Performance funding values outcomes (e.g., classes successfully completed, credentials awarded, etc.). Strong policies and strategies should contain provisions to:

Require classroom attendance be taken and recorded – at least during the freshman year. Establish student incentives to attend college full-time (e.g., flat rate tuition for students taking 12 or more credit hours).

- o Provide co-requisite developmental education (including tutoring, self paced computer labs with required attendance, etc.)
- For students clearly needing remediation:
- o Provide no more than one semester of remediation.
- o Utilize an intensive focus, and an accelerated timeframe.
- For students with significant academic deficiencies:
- o Provide alternate pathways to a career certificate or career-related credential.
- o Embed remediation and adult basic skills into that instruction.

Clarify what constitutes readiness for success in the first year of college.

- Recognize that current college placement assessments are not predictive and should be replaced by sharper diagnostic tools.
- Establish early warning indicators (e.g., anchor assessments) for current high school students, signaling student readiness to begin college-level course work.
- Provide twelfth grade courses designed to prepare students for college level math and English. Establish a statewide approach to remedial education.
- Limit remediation at 4-year universities to no more than one course. If a student cannot do college-level work after one remedial course, then he/she should be referred into a "passport program" at a community college with the understanding that the student will be readmitted to the
- 4-year college after successful completion of the English and Math requirements.
- Align math requirements and student needs (e.g., only STEM students need a pre-Calculus curriculum, others are better served learning statistics and applied mathematics). Review all programs to determine the best math requirements for each program and align remediation accordingly.
- Identify courses in which students can enroll while simultaneously completing remediation requirements (i.e., don't make students wait to start credit-bearing courses).
- All students taking the placement exam ought to receive a testing guide, practice test and time to brush up on their skills.

- Utilize year-round attendance; no summers off.
- Ensure the ability of students to progress immediately to the next course without waiting for the next academic semester.

Implement an integrated program design that reduces the complexity of registration, course selection, and the need for course advising.

- Prescribe the full set of competencies for each program up-front.
- Enroll students once in a single, coherent program rather than signing up every term for individual, unconnected courses.

Compress classroom instruction to reduce seat-time requirements and allow students to proceed at an accelerated pace.

- Supplement traditional classroom instruction with non-classroom based methods such as on-line technology.
- Use competency-based instruction to allow students to proceed at an accelerated pace. Establish student cohort enrollment to increase peer support and learning networks.

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS – PROPOSED ACADEMIC CALENDARS FOR 2012-2015 (Fall and Spring Semesters only) This copy updated on 3/20/2012.

Fall Semester	2012 Approved by CAC (4/2010)	2013 Approved by CAC (4/2010)	2014 Proposed	2015 Proposed	COMMENTS
Labor Day	9/3	9/2	9/1	9/7	Always the 1st Monday in September.
1st day of instruction	8/30	9/5	9/4	9/3	Always a Thursday to make up for Thanksgiving.
Last day to Register	9/7	9/13	9/12		

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