

**CSU Channel Islands**  
**Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**November 2, 2009 – Sage Hall, Rm 2030**  
**9:30am to 10:30am**

Attendees:           Ellie Tayag                                   Andrew Morris                                   Phil Hampton  
                          Merilyn Buchanan                           Kathy Musashi                                Colleen Delaney-Rivera  
                          Janet Rizzoli                                   Jose Alamillo                                   Luke Matjas

Absent:

1.    **Minutes.**   Approved as submitted.
2.    **Student Petitions for Exceptions.**   None were discussed.
3.    **Course and Program Reviews**

**The following courses, programs or items were approved as submitted:**

**The following courses or programs were approved with changes:**

- **CHEM 111 Chemistry of Life, Problem Solving    Mod**
- **CHEM 123 General Chem, Problem Solving       Mod**
- **CHEM 124 General Chem II, Problem Solving     Mod**
- **CHEM 313 Organic Chem I, Learning Community Mod**
- **CHEM 316 Organic Chem II, Learning CommunityMod**
- **CHEM 492 Internship/Service Learning           Mod**
- **CHEM 494 Independent Research                 Mod**
- **CHEM 497 Directed Studies                        Mod**

**The following courses or programs were deferred for changes and should be resubmitted to the Committee:**

- **CHEM 499 Chemistry Capstone Colloquium       Mod**

4.    **MS Coastal Sustainability PSM – Short Form**

The Short form was reviewed and discussed by the Committee. The following recommendations were made:

1.    Budgetary Issues. The committee felt that the budget was underdeveloped and that it needed additional work to clarify some of the costs involved for the program. The committee also requested additional clarification on the faculty needs as stated in the short form.
2.    Marketability and Enrollment. The committee expressed its concerns on the low enrollment numbers to initiate the program (8 students). Is this low number sustainable and reasonable with five supported faculty?
3.    Faculty. The committee expressed its concern regarding the narrowly niched focus of the program. Would it be more viable to start with a broader scope of environmental science and as the program grows create emphases that focused on such issues as coastal sustainability? This method might also attract additional students to the program. Also, how are the non=ESRM faculty contributing to the curriculum.
4.    Learning Objectives. The learning objectives stated seem more related to the program rather than the students. Please revisit.

The Committee agreed to discuss the Short Form at the Academic Planning Committee. The Committee also requests that any program being proposed within a three year window be accompanied by the Long Form.

5.    **Next meeting:** November 16, 2009.