BRIEF NOTES – approved 4-16-19
College of Letters and Science Academic Planning Council
April 2, 2019, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., 101 South Hall

Chair: Karl Scholz
Members present: Sarah Jedd, Dan Kapust, Jana Valeo, Cécile Ané, Katherine Bowie, Heather Allen, Seth Blair, Rebecca Dunn
Members absent: Jana Valeo, Ruth Litovsky

Observers present: Shirin Malekpour, Elaine Klein, Eric Wilcots, Jennifer Noyes, Greg Downey, Gloria Mari-Beffa, James Montgomery, Kimbrin Cornelius, Mike Pflieger, Sue Zaeske, Jennifer Noyes, Mike Pflieger

1. Announcements (a) “Day of the Badger” – April 9, 2019 [https://www.dayofthebadger.org] KS reminded members Day of the Badger is next week. Nearly all L&S departments and programs are participating in a way that allows alumni to easily give to their home department. (b) UW-Madison Day at the Capitol – April 10, 2019 [https://www.uwalumni.com/event/uw-day-madison/] this event connects students and alumni with Wisconsin government representatives, so they can share about their UW Madison experiences.

2. Consent Agenda (a) Approval of notes, March 5, 2019 (b) Requests for Comment (i) UW-Madison, Notice of Intent to Offer New MS-Environmental Remediation” (CALS) (ii) UW-Platteville, Notice of Intent to Offer New BS Major, “Data Science” System policy allows similar undergraduate programs be offered at UW System institutions, as long as they are not low enrollment programs (b) Subject Listing Deletion (Asian Languages & Cultures): (i) East Asian Languages and Literature – E ASIAN (295) (ii) Languages and Cultures of Asia (Culture) – LCA LANG (522). Member unanimously approved the consent agenda.

3. Discussion: Request for Comment, UW-Madison, Notice of Intent to Offer New BS Major, “Global Health” (CALS). CALS currently offers a popular Global Health certificate; this proposal would create a similar Global Health major. Members agreed this would be a valuable and popular major. They also noted that L&S students will not be able to declare this major unless CALS designs it to be offered as an ‘additional major’. Every L&S major is available to students in other schools and college, but the reverse is not true (right now, no CALS majors can be declared by L&S students as an ‘additional major’). Members agreed CALS should be strongly encouraged to design the major so it can be offered as an ‘additional major’; otherwise L&S students will be forced to move to CALS to declare it. MP confirmed it is both technically and practically feasible for CALS to design a major in this way. Members also noted that many of the courses currently supporting the Global Health are taught by L&S, and wondered if this would also be true for the major. They agreed they couldn’t offer comment on overlap with L&S programs or offer full support until they see the detailed proposal to create the major (which is required after the NOI has been approved). They asked CALS consult early in their process of creating the Request for Authorization to Implement the program, to allow enough time for L&S consultation and feedback, since there are likely to be L&S experts who could contribute to, and L&S courses that would complement, a program of study in Global Health. Members approved a motion to support the NOI. They asked that CALS consider designing the program so that L&S students could declare it, and, if the NOI is approved, to consult with L&S early in process of designing the curriculum.

4. Academic Program Changes (a) MS-Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, Named Options (i) Updated “Parent” Page [Lumen Program 659] (ii) “Research” Option [Lumen Programs 1062] (iii) “Professional Program” Option [Lumen Programs 1047] GB led discussion. The proposal from Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences proposes will create a 131-funded Professional Named Option in their MS program that prepares students for industry. While the core learning is similar, the Professional Program Named Option will require more practical experiences and will prepare students to take the American Meteorological Society
Certified Consulting Meteorology exam. Up to 7 credits of the undergraduate major may transfer to the Professional Program, which would allow undergraduate major students in the program to complete a the MS as a “5th year” program. As part of the plan to create this professional option in the MS, a "Research Program" Named Option is also being created for the traditional thesis MS. Members approved the motion to create two new Named Options in the MS-Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.
Notes submitted by Kimbrin Cornelius, L&S Curriculum Administration Specialist