

Department of Criminal Justice

Faculty Meeting Minutes - February 24, 2022

Location: Clement 132

Date: February 24, 2022

Time: 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Attendees: Chair: Dr. Scott Culhane

Faculty: Dr. Frank Ferdik, Dr. George Frogge, JM Genis, Dr. Megan Kienzle, Dr. James Prescott, Dr. Sarah Whiteford, Dr. Christopher Wright

Absent: None

Admin: Melissa Boyer

Agenda items

1. Chair Report

A) Kudos

Thank you to Dr. Frogge for locating 700+ police contacts to reach out to for advertising purposes.

Thank you to Dr. Frogge and Mr. Genis for offering to cover the upcoming Preview Day (formerly AP Day) on March 19th.

B) Ft. Campbell Deployment

The message from above is “be flexible”. Recent events in Ukraine are increasing deployments, and our military students will need flexibility during this time. The mini session during Spring II was originally set up for active duty students who had training schedules interfering with Spring II courses. Those trainings are most likely cancelled now, so we are unsure what will occur with these new 4 wk courses. Administration has said they would be as lenient as possible with regards to lower enrollments, if need be.

C) Student Athlete Progress Reports

The software used in the past is no longer being used. For the time being, you will receive traditional emails from the athletic department asking for input/updates. They are looking for new software to implement in the future.

D) Deadline for Promotion

A discussion on this topic was postponed, but the date of April 27th was listed on the “Upcoming Dates” section of the agenda.

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E) Court of Appeals

Judge Jill Ayers will be on campus on April 12th to hear three actual cases being brought before the Court of Criminal Appeals. This will be in the MUC - Room 303 - at 9:30am. Each case should take about 45 minutes. All are invited to attend, and may come in and out as needed to accommodate class times. There will be a Q&A with the judge at the end, but no questions specific to the cases will be allowed.

2. Instructor Search Committee

Dr. Whiteford thanked the search committee for the efforts, but has advised that the final candidates we had chosen have both withdrawn. Dr. Culhane indicated we will try again in the fall.

3. Grad Program & Grad Exam Update

Dr. Wright said the program is doing great, and that we have 13 new admissions for the upcoming Spring II, Summer, and Fall 2022 terms. With regards to the exam, Dr. Wright asked that everyone who has taught a grad class thus far provide a reading list to him. If they only require a section of a book, please note that as well. He would like these by Spring Break.

Dr. Culhane suggested a D2L shell be created for the exam. This is where the reading lists and exam can be permanently housed together. Everyone agree that this was good idea. He asked that the Grad Committee meet to discuss the details of the test dynamics, He indicated he felt the exam needed to include both written and oral components.

Dr. Culhane also mentioned that the newly form NSS group will be helping fund some advertising for our grad program. New flyers should be coming soon, and an email blitz to our seniors and to the 700+ police contacts provided by Dr. Frogge will happen as well.

4. Dual Listing Grad Classes

Dr. Culhane advised that Dr. Brooks (Grad Studies) announce a new committee was being formed to develop policy around the dual listing of undergrad and grad level courses. He also reminded everyone that a clear distinction must be made between the levels when teaching these dual listed courses.

5. Student Awards

Dr. Ferdik advised that the Student Awards ceremony will occur on April 14th at 3pm. We need to provide our award recipient names by March 1st. A list of graduating students in UG and Grad was provided to the group, and discussion was had.

With regards to the undergrads, Dr. Culhane proposed Pierce Moore, Dr. Whiteford suggested Thomas Haas, and Mr. Genis spoke for Kasey Robertson. Dr. Culhane made a motion - Moore and Robertson as our awardees. Dr. Whiteford seconded the motion. All were in favor.

With regards to the graduate students, Dr. Wright proposed Sierra Doggett as our award recipient. Dr. Culhane made a motion, Dr. Whiteford seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

6. SLO Update

Dr. Frogge indicated there were new forms for the 2022-2023 AY plans, and he has submitted them for review. Thus far our feedback has been ok. They like our rubrics, but have indicated they don't love our Major Field Test. They would prefer that it was "in house".

Dr. Frogge will be using one of his courses for evaluation, and will be approaching the other instructors when choosing a second course. He also asked for input from everyone on setting the indirect measures.

It was noted by Dr. Culhane that "diversity and ethics" was not on the form for the graduate level. If requested by the SLO committee, it can be added.

7. NSS Hires

Dr. Culhane will not need anyone else from our department to sit on the hiring committee. The committee will be himself, Dr. Marsha Lyle-Gonga, and Dr. Crosston. It was noted that these new hires will be "owned" by our department for the time being, and they will physically be housed at Fort Campbell. We will be responsible for their RTP reviews, even though there is a chance that one of them may be hired as a fully tenured faculty member. That remains to be seen.

8. Faculty Mentor for Dr. Leimberg

We need to give thought to who will be the mentor for our incoming faculty member, Dr. Leimberg, this fall. We will talk about it further at our next meetings.

Action Items	Owner(s)	Deadline	Status
Provide reading list for grad classes to Dr. Wright	All	3/4/2022	In progress
Awards obtained for 4/14 ceremony	Mel Boyer	ASAP	In progress
Identify mentor for Leimberg	All	ASAP	In progress