The following additions, changes, and deletions were approved by the committee.

I. COURSE ADDITIONS, CHANGES, AND DELETIONS

ENGLISH

ADD: ENGL 211. INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING. This class is designed to introduce students to the three genres of poetry, short stories, and creative nonfiction. Students will examine many technical aspects of craft and engage in exercises designed to improve their ability to create meaningful works of art. Prerequisites: ENGL 101, 102. (3).

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

CHANGE: INST 381: Quantitative Research Methods. The course is a general introduction to the basic features of the research methods used in the scientific study of politics and policy around the world. The course is designed for students pursuing the international governance and politics specialization. (3).

TO: INST 381: Research Methods for International Studies Majors. The course is an introduction to research methods for international studies majors, preparing them for the senior thesis sequence. (3).

II. OTHER CATALOG CHANGES

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

CHANGE: A MINOR IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES consists of 21 hours, including Pol 102 or Inst 101; 6 hours of upper division course work on contemporary international issues selected from the approved list below; and 3 hours of 300-level proficiency-oriented course work in one foreign language. In addition, students must complete 9 hours in a regional studies track - East Asia, Europe, or Latin America – from the approved list below. The foreign language selected must correspond to the regional studies track.

A MINIMUM GRADE OF C is required in all courses applied toward the minor in International Studies. Students should consult with the international studies advisers in the Croft Institute to plan their program of study.
1. Pol 102 (Formerly Pol 221 - either class will fulfill this requirement) or Inst 101
2.  6 hours of 300-level or above courses on contemporary international issues from the following list:
    Anth 312, 353; Econ 320, 510; His 382; Inst 316, 318, 321, 323, 324, 326, 327, 371; Pol 329, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 338, 339, 341, 342, 344, 346, 381, 382, 383; Soc 353, 359

3.  3 hours of 300-level conversation and composition in a foreign language that corresponds to the student's regional focus. The following courses fulfill this requirement:
    Chin 301 or 311; Fr 303 or 311; Germ 303 or 311; Ital 301; Japn 301; Port 301; Russ 301; Span 303 or 304

4.  9 hours in one of the following regional studies tracks. Students must take a minimum of 3 hours in history and may not take more than 6 hours from one department.

   East Asian Track: Chin 321, 361; His 180, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398; Inst 310, 321, 331, 341; Phil 308, 309; Pol 324, 325, 337, 340, 387; Rel 308, 309, 311, 322

   European Track: Fr 321, 322, 361; Germ 321, 361; His 102, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 367, 368, 372, 378, 379, 380; Inst 312, 326, 327, 332; Pol 322, 381, 384, 385, 386; Russ 321, 361; Span 321, 361

   Latin American Track: Anth 327; His 160, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 390, 391, 392, 393; Inst 314, 333; Pol 321, 342, 345; Port 321, 361; Span 321, 361;

TO: A MINOR IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES consists of 21 hours, including Pol 102 or Inst 101; 3 hours of 300-level coursework in one foreign language; and 15 hours of 300-level (or higher) coursework selected from Inst-designated courses. A minimum grade of C is required in all coursework to be counted toward the international studies minor.

MODERN LANGUAGES

M.A. in Modern Languages with a specialization in German.

CHANGE: Two options are available. One option requires 24 hours of graduate-level coursework with a minimum of 15 hours in the major field (German) plus thesis in the major field, and a maximum of 9 hours in the minor field, subject to approval of the department. The second option requires 36 hours of graduate-level coursework, of which a minimum of 24 hours must be in the major field and up to 12 hours in one or more minor fields, subject to department approval.

TO: Two options for completing the degree are available, each of which requires 36 hours and must include GERM 672. The two options are as follows: (1) a minimum of 24 hours of coursework in German and between 6 and 12 hours of coursework in a departmentally approved subfield or (2) a minimum of 24 hours of coursework in German and between 6 and 12 hours of thesis work.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Dr. Stephen Monroe updated the group about the progress of FasTRACK, and ordering textbooks for courses.

2. At Dean Hopkins’ request, Tami Barger recounted the history of the Depot while her father was working for the ICG Rail Road in Oxford in the late 1950’s until the late 1960’s.
3. Dr. Holly Reynolds informed the members there will be a ninth summer freshmen orientation session. And, she requested that the departments decide whether they want to use group advising for freshmen or continue with individual advising sessions.

4. The group discussed if future teacher awards should include categories for instructors.

5. Dean Glenn Hopkins told the group that no action has been taken about changing probation status for freshmen and sophomores to 2.0.

6. Virginia Burke (ASB) led a discussion about the forgiveness policy expanding to include courses in which a student earned a grade of C.