

MULTICULTURAL/INTERNATIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE

California State University, Fresno

Fri., March 19, 2021 @ 9:00 am

MINUTES

Present: Nagy Bengiamin (Lyles College of Engineering), Stephen Choi (Craig School of Business), Gina Fenn (College of Health & Human Services – Student Representative), Katherine Fobear (College of Social Sciences—ex-officio member), Teresa Huerta (Kremen School of Education & Human Development), Nataliia Kasianenko (College of Social Sciences), Hiromi Kubo (Library), Jin Park (College of Science & Math), Bernadette Muscat (Office of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies—non-voting ex-officio) & Randy Nedegaard (College of Health & Human Services, Chair)

Regrets: none

1. **Approval of agenda:** 9:00 am
2. **Communications and announcements**
 - a. Student appointment – Gina Fenn, College of Health & Human Services, agreed to be the student representative this year
3. **Old Business**
 - a. None
4. **New business**
 - a. The committee reviewed ARTH 141. Areas with room for improvement for this syllabus were discussed. First, with regard to course goal #4, “Prepare students to function in an international multicultural world,” the course assignments could be tied into this goal more specifically and intentionally. And while the project for these courses appear to be a rigorous and meaningful assignment, it is the only assignment other than two midterm exams and a final exam. A motion was made and seconded indicating that the committee will approve this syllabus along with the committee asking the chair to forward the above recommendation for consideration of the author. The motion was carried in a unanimous vote.
 - b. The committee reviewed ARTH 142. As this course structure is a mirror image of ARTH 141, the same issues hold true for this course as well. This course was approved by the committee with the same considerations.
 - c. The committee discussed MUS 161B. It is clear the author did not have the criteria for evaluating M/I courses when designing the syllabus. The chair has reached out twice in the last two weeks to the two names that are associated with this syllabus. Hopefully, the changes can be made to the syllabus in time for our next meeting on April 16th.
 - d. Terms for some members are up for renewal, to include the chair. If the chair’s position isn’t renewed, the committee will need to select a new chair at the next meeting. If the chair’s position is renewed, he has agreed to continue as chair unless someone else on the committee would like to take on this role.
5. **Meeting adjourned:** 9:30am