

**Academic Standards Council**  
**Official Minutes for Friday, 15 October 2021, 2:30-4:00 p.m.**  
**Zoom Meeting**

**Attendance:** Ruiling Guo, Jack Rose, Susan B. Aaron Todd, Tim Leishman, Curt Whitaker, Lyle Castle, Anushka Burde, Tiffany Elsberry, Laura McKenzie, Cynthia Tillotson, Shanna O'Connor, Christopher Owens

**Absent but Excused:** John Fitzpatrick

**Recording Secretary:** Ann Medinger

**Announcements:**

Stacy Phelan will gather data on the ACT/SAT 3-year trial period so the results can be reviewed at the end of that period as a final decision is made.

Whitaker will attend the next Faculty Senate Meeting to speak to them regarding the ACT/SAT matter and about setting up a poll to get a feel for where faculty stands as a whole on this topic.

**1) 2:30-3:00: Further Discussion of Incompletes**

Last month we provided time-sensitive feedback to the College of Arts and Letters regarding the awarding of incompletes and whether ISU should have a uniform policy. Six out of seven voting members of this committee elected that faculty should set their own policy on incompletes rather than having a university-wide one, but we said we would discuss further the issue of what constitutes a “substantial portion” of a course in making this decision. Please review email from C. Whitaker and file titled “Thread on Incompletes.”

What constitutes a substantial proportion?

Guo said:

U of Maryland considers 60% to be a substantial proportion

One college from Salt Lake City, UT considers 70% to be a substantial proportion

That includes the course as a whole, including course work, tests, attendance, etc.

Whitaker asked if we said, “Substantial Proportion is 60% of work completed as determined by the faculty member,” if that would help.

Discussion ensued

Leishman suggested the policy be written around the withdrawal deadline

**ACTION-** Leishman moved to decide whether we should:

Leave it status quo “substantial proportion”- 1 vote

Look into it further and possibly decide on more decisive guidelines- 4 votes

Motion Seconded

Motion carried to Look into this topic further

## **2) 3:00-4:00: Pharmacotherapy Concentration in B.S. of Health Sciences**

Guests: Dr. Chris Owens (Associate Vice President, College of Pharmacy and Kasiska Division of Health Sciences) and Dr. Shanna O'Connor (Clinical Assistant Professor, College of Pharmacy)

Drs. Owens and O'Connor will discuss the request by the College of Pharmacy to count thirty-six professional credits toward undergraduate degree requirements. Please see email message from Chris Hunt, Associate Registrar.

Rose expressed concern that this seemed like "double dipping"

Tillotson, O'Connor, and Owens presented their case

Meant to create another concentration for Pharma-Co-Therapy

Could you petition these 9-12 courses and get credit for them?

The competencies that are covered have been matched to make sure this is not a blanket solution or unreasonable substitutions.

Discussion ensued

Owens offered to put together a table to show tit-for-tat competencies for ASC to review

Is this ISU students only?

No, this is open to all Pharm-D students, including transfer students

Whitaker asked if there is a reason more Universities are not using programs like this.

Roughly 25% of Colleges do offer a program like this

It is not known why more colleges do not offer such programs

This will be discussed more at the ASC meeting in November, 2021

O'Connor, Owens, and Tillotson will return to discuss this more at our meeting in November.

### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 4:02 pm