

**Minutes of the Honors Program Committee**  
**Friday February 1, 2013 – 1 pm – DuPont 210**

*Present* –Laurie Abeel, Porter Blakemore, Jackie Gallagher, Lynn Lewis, Kelli Slunt, and Suzanne Sumner

Approval of minutes from September 27<sup>th</sup> – minutes were unanimously approved.

**New Business**

- 1) Course Proposals - *Motion* to designate the following courses as Honors Courses – will bear the HN designation
  - a. BUAD 131 – Accounting – Dave Henderson and all full-time accounting faculty as instructors  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - b. BUAD 259 – Business/Quantitative Methods – Chris Garcia and Larry Penwell as instructors  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - c. CHEM 211 - Organic Chemistry I – Kelli Slunt and all full-time organic chemistry faculty as instructors  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - d. CPSC 220 – Computer Science I – Jennifer Polack-Wahl  
*Action: Not Approved* – *Proposal returned to faculty member requesting further clarification of course requirements.*
  - e. ENGL 385 – Contemporary American Fiction – Gary Richards as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - f. GEOL 335 - Plate Tectonics – Grant Woodwell as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - g. HISP 101 – The American Heritage – Andrea Smith, Gary Stanton, Doug Sanford, and Michael Spencer as instructors  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - h. HIST 202 – First-Year Seminar in American History: Hollywood Films and History: the Perspective of John Ford (HN) – Porter Blakemore as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  - i. HIST 202 – First-Year Seminar in American History: Good, Bad, and Ugly American Tourists – Will Mackintosh as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013
  
- 2) Course Proposals for HONR100 Courses – *Motion* to designate the following courses to fulfill the HONR 100 First-Year Seminar Requirement
  - a. HONR100 - The Idea of Cool – Colin Rafferty as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013 - Course Number will be HONR100J

- b. HONR100 – Shakespeare and Popular Culture – Maya Mathur as instructor  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Fall 2013 - Course Number will be HONR100K
- 3) Contract-Based Learning Proposals
- a. Motion – To approve Alexandra Hoensheid’s application to receive HN designation for PHIL 220 – Intro to Feminism  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Spring 2013
  - b. Motion – To approve Mary Fesak’s application to receive HN designation for ANTH 341 – Practices of Memory  
*Action: Approved* –Effective Spring 2013
- 4) Assessment Proposal – the committee reviewed an assessment proposal developed by Karen Nulton (Drexel University), Mary Kayler, and Kelli Slunt. The committee approved of the proposal. After Mary reviews the proposal with the teaching center committee, Kelli will submit the proposal to Taiwo Ande’s office and Richard Finkelstein’s office.
- 5) Application to the Honors Program – the committee decided to invite students in their first year at UMW who have a 3.2 GPA or higher to submit an application for the honors program. The application will include an essay and a letter of recommendation from a UMW faculty member and will be due by the start of spring break. Students will be admitted on a limited basis and will be notified before priority registration so that they can register for honors designated courses.

Adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Slunt

Director of Honors Program