Agenda - Dec 14, 2015 - CSM Senate Meeting

Date: Monday, December 14th, 2015  
Time: 2:30pm - 4:00pm  
Location: CSM Dean's Office Conference Room

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1. Approval of the November 16, 2015 meeting minutes.
2. Announcements
3. New business
   3a. Addition of the BA in Environmental Studies and Sustainability (ESS-BA) degree, Phase 2 proposal.
       Motion: To pre-approve the addition of BA in Environmental Studies and Sustainability (ESS-BA) degree.
       Rationale: The development of the Environmental Studies and Sustainability (ESS) BA will strengthen SFE's mission of generating and activating knowledge to solve linked watershed and coastal marine environmental problems. The ESS-BA fits perfectly within the mission and values of the University of Massachusetts Boston and the School for the Environment (SFE). The ESS BA touches on all seven of the values: Inquiry, Creativity and Discovery, Transformation, Diversity and Inclusion, Engagement, Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability, Economic and Cultural Development, and its urban commitment. This is illustrated by the synergistic activities with collaborating units outside of the SFE and the College of Science and Mathematics.
   3b. Addition of ENVSCI 451 - Coastal Systems of Sergipe, Brazil
       Motion: To pre-approve the addition of ENVSCI451 - Coastal Systems of Sergipe, Brazil.
       Rationale: The School for the Environment is continually revising and evaluating courses associated with the School's curriculum. ENVSCI 451 represents the first of its kind as a research-focused study abroad course taught by the School's faculty in partnership with a host university; the Universidades Terradentes in Aracaju, Sergipe, Brazil. ENVSCI 451 will directly support the Schools undergraduate tracks in Earth and Hydrological Sciences and Marine Sciences. Further, ENVSCI will offer undergraduate students a chance to conduct international research on topics that are globally relevant; be provided the opportunity to experience the culture of another country, including the policies, government, societal views and culture of coastal northeast Brazil.
       Motion: To pre-approve the revision of ENGIN 352: change in course number to ENGIN 452.
       Rationale: This course is an EE elective intended for seniors, a 400 course number is more appropriate and easier for advising purposes.
   3d. Revision of ENGIN 371 - RF/Microwave Circuits. Change in number to ENGIN 471.
       Motion: To pre-approve the revision of ENGIN 371: change in course number to ENGIN 471.
       Rationale: This course is an EE elective intended for seniors, a 400 course number is more
appropriate and easier for advising purposes.

3e. CSM governance documents and procedures.
4. Other business
5. Adjourn