

MLS Program Faculty Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2022
1:00-2:30 130A Ragsdale / Teams

- I. Approval of September Meeting Minutes moved to November meeting.
- II. Programmatic Cultural Norms to be addressed as needed at each monthly meeting and discussion for winter retreat.

III. Post-Site-Visit.

Worked with financial officer and Dr. Crowe to provide more information about financial and faculty support to the ERP site visit team. More details available in Teams.

Stated timeline from ALA: ERP Draft Report due 10/24, MLS corrections due 10/31, final ERP report 11/7, final MLS response 11/14.

Discussion on budget, faculty capacity, faculty lines and replacing faculty, requests for further information, connotations of language used by ERP to describe program, energy and passion of current faculty, culture mutual support within the program, flexibility of electives, alternatives to internship, importance of keeping the NC Public Library Certification. Plan to schedule future conversation to reflect on experience. Requirements for school concentration licensure will be added as an agenda item for the winter retreat.

IV. Career Fair

The ECU COE Career Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2022.

Library Science will have a table for afternoon, Mrs. Mangum will cover 1 – 2 pm and Dr. Soulen/Ms. Seibert 2 – 3 pm.

V. Summer 2023 Study Abroad

Dr. Mattock sent an announcement on the listservs and JESSE regarding LIBS 6903 Special Topics for SU 23 study abroad in Paris. The application process for students is through Global Affairs and they will enroll students who must be eligible for graduate level course work, including students early in the LIBS program, but not limited to library science or ECU students. There are additional costs outlined on the Global Affairs site. Students must pay for their flight. Dr. Mattock and Dr. Marson will review applications and can deny/admit students as needed. Submission due date is January 31, 2023.

<https://piratesabroad.ecu.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular&id=10673>. The study abroad will be full 5-week course with the trip to Paris taking place July 21 – 29, 2023. Discussion on whether there are funds to support airfare or other fees. Dr. Mattock will check with Dr. Crowe. Suggestion to talk to advisees about summer study abroad as an option now rather than in spring due to the deadline for applying and to send reminder e-mails to students about the application process and January 31, 2023 deadline.

Mrs. Mangum is also in communication about the summer internship at the American Library in Paris, not to be confused with the study abroad. Our students who may be interested may have to apply directly with the American Library in Paris and there may be 2 to 3 slots. She is still working out details for summer course schedule.

VI. Remediation Policy

Assignment of an ad hoc committee to develop a remediation policy for students will take place at the November program meeting.

VII. Other Business

Mrs. Mangum, Dr. Mattock, and Dr. Crowe met with COE. Even though there is another option for their Partnership Teach cohort, they need the online option that LIBs 4950 offers. Partnership Teach meets in the fall, so for Fall we will offer 3 sections of LIBS 4950 and designate only for COE students. For spring one section would meet COE needs. The LIBS program will use adjuncts to fill in graduate courses as needed then offer sections of LIBS 4950 to adjuncts. The number of sections will be based on adjunct interest and availability following graduate core course coverage.

Dr. Bright is moving forward with the removal of the on-campus designation for the program. After that, another faculty member will need to be assigned responsibility for originating packages, either someone on the Curriculum committee or the program coordinator.

Mrs. Mangum recommended not including courses for summer in plans of study that are not on the course rotation because we could not guarantee that it would be offered.

VIII. Executive Session