Committee on Academic Programs (CAP)
February 19, 2008

Present: Brendan Calandra, Jeremy Diem, Irene Duhaime, Michael Eriksen, William Feldhaus, Mary Finn, Teryl Frey, Shelby Frost, Cecelia Grindel, Yu-Sheng Hsu, Randy Kamphaus, Rick Lake, John Medlock, Bruce Pilling, Don Reitzes, Tim Renick, Marti Singer, Sara Weigle, Jim Wolk

Guests: Melanie Davenport [School of Art and Design], Barbara Meyers [Early Childhood Education Department], Zaneta Rene Daniels [SGA]

Call to Order
The Chair, Tim Renick, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in Room 718, General Classroom Building.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of January 15, 2008 meeting were approved as distributed.

Consideration of a motion from the Undergraduate Council to add 7 minors in the Robinson School of Business
Sara Weigle, on behalf of the Undergraduate Council, moved the approval of 7 new minors to be offered by the Robinson College of Business. Irene Duhaime and William Feldhaus spoke on behalf of the proposals. The committee unanimously approved the motion, contingent in changes being made in the catalog copy to bring the various descriptions into uniformity.

Consideration of a motion from the Undergraduate Council for an Art Ed credit hour waiver
Sara Weigle, on behalf of the Undergraduate Council, moved the approval of a motion to grant a waiver to extend the current program of 126 hours for a BFA in art education to 129 based on the Board of Regents increase from 3 to 4 education courses in the program. EDUC 2120 “Exploring Socio-Cultural Perspectives on Diversity in Education Contexts” will be added to the art education program to align with the Board of Regents mandate and align with other College of Education programs of teacher preparation. Melanie Davenport, School of Art and Design, spoke on behalf of the motion. The committee unanimously approved the motion from the Undergraduate Council for an Art Ed credit hour waiver.

Consideration of a motion from the Undergraduate Council for a new major within the BSEd in Birth Through Five
Sara Weigle, on behalf of the Undergraduate Council, moved to approve the proposal to add a new major within the BSEd in Birth Through Five. Randy Kamphaus spoke in behalf of the major. The BSEd major in Birth Through Five (B-5) prepares teachers and other early care and education professional to work in varied settings with young children and their families from infancy through Kindergarten age. The program reflects national and state standards, research and best practice in the field of early childhood development and education and
teacher education. The committee unanimously approved the motion contingent on the proposal being brought into conformity with the CAP and BOR template for such proposals.

Consideration of motions by the Graduate Council (a) to delete the Accounting Systems Specialization from the Master of Professional Accountancy Program and (b) to change the name of the Information Systems concentration within the M.S. in Health Administration to “Health Informatics”

Michelle Brattian, on behalf of the Graduate Council moved the approval to two proposals: (a) A proposal from Robinson College of Business to delete of the Accounting Systems Specialization from the MPA program. The new Master of Science in Information Systems Audit and Control program replaces the specialization; and (b) A proposal from Robinson College of Business to change the name of the Information Systems concentration within the M.S. in Health Administration to "Health Informatics". Rationale: Since a more appropriate and descriptive term of information systems in the health care sector is health informatics, it is requested that the listed concentration in the MSHA be revised from the "information systems" to "health informatics"; health informatics is already an approved concentration in the MBA degree, and its inclusion in the MSHA will be more consistent.

The committee unanimously approved both motions.

Discussion of the Academic Program Review calendar [Mary Finn]

The currently approved APRC calendar has three years remaining: 08-09 (five units to undergo self study); 09-10 (18 units to undergo self study); and 10-11 (10 units to undergo self study). This would place tremendous strain on the APRC process from the standpoint of workload of the APRC committee and CAP, resources including the costs of external reviewers on campus, and demand on support services provided by OIR. Mary Finn proposed a motion to extend the second cycle of APR one additional year to AY 11-12; thereby, spreading out the remaining reviews across an additional year. Mary will prepare proposed schedule and bring it to the next CAP meeting for discussion and approval.

Discussion of plans by the Board of Regents to change the system-wide Core Curriculum

Discussion was held as an information item of a System-level initiative to develop a new Core Curriculum for the University System of Georgia. Tim Renick, the Georgia State representative to the System-wide committee, summarized the process. (Bill Fritz is the representative on the steering committee for the process.) Committee members were encouraged to review the proposed plans via the BOR website (www.strongfoundations.usg.edu) and to submit comments by the March 31 deadline

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.