AP&P Committee FY 2023 Final Report

The committee held 5 committee meetings and held one public hearing for program discontinuance in FY23.

Standing Charge

 Monitor proposals for academic program restructuring and discontinuance, hold hearings, and follow other procedures in accordance with Article VIII of the University Senate Rules and Regulations. Report issues or recommendations for action to SenEx. (ongoing)

Actions:

- a. The committee held two meetings and a public hearing for discontinuance of the Holocaust and Genocide Undergraduate Certificate. The committee recommended discontinuance of this program. The recommendation was sent to the University Senate on October 18, 2022.
- b. The committee recommended to the University Senate discontinuance of the following inactive programs:

Bachelor of Architecture

MA in Molecular Biology

Undergraduate Certificate in Sustainability

Undergraduate Certificate in South Asian Culture

c. The committee met again on April 11, 2023 to discuss the discontinuance of the BA and BGS Special Majors programs. Recommendation to discontinue these programs was forwarded to the University Senate on April 12. 2023.

Specific Charge

FY2023 Specific charges:

1. Evaluate USRR 2.8.1, Academic Forgiveness policy, and compare it to other peer institutions. Consider a policy similar to Wichita State.

Actions: the committee reviewed the policies of Wichita State and six other peer universities. After discussion and voting on the revised policy, at recommendation was sent to the University Senate on November 17, 2022 to revise the Academic Forgiveness Policy. Additional questions were answered for the University Senate in February 2023. The recommended policy was sent forth as:

Academic Forgiveness allows students to remove up to four terms from their University of Kansas GPA one time in their academic career at KU. The grades will remain on their transcript but will not be used to compute their new GPA. Academic Forgiveness does not apply to credits taken at other colleges/universities.

A student may request Academic Forgiveness from the Office of the Registrar if the student meets all of the following conditions:

- 1. Is currently classified as an undergraduate student at KU.
- 2. Has had a break in attendance of at least two years from KU.
- 3. Has earned an overall GPA of less than 2.5 prior to the two-year break from KU.
- 4. Currently has an overall GPA since returning to KU of at least 2.5.
- 5. Has earned at least 12 credit hours since returning to KU.

Has consulted with his/her Academic Dean and obtained approval on the Academic Forgiveness form.

Recommendations for Next Year: Detailed look at program discontinuance in light of the HLC and KBOR requirements to clean up the course catalog.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Commented [JW1]: Current policy says 3 terms.

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