

Community College *of* Philadelphia

TO: College Community
FROM: Stephen M. Curtis *SMC*
DATE: July 12, 2010
SUBJECT: IWC Minutes

This is to inform you that I have taken the following actions on recommendations made to me by the Institution-Wide Committee spring 2010:

- Approved the Proposal to change the Policy on Acceptable Behavior with the suggested revision (to remove the reference to violations of international law from the proposed policy).
- Approved changes to the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Academic Certificate and Degree.

The changes to the certificate are:

- Eliminate a course that is more appropriate as a graduate level Course (GIS 103).
- Eliminate GIS 204 and revise GIS 203 to include some material originally planned for GIS 204.
- Add a requirement that students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all GIS courses for graduation.
- Remove English 112.
- The proposed changes reduce the number of credits needed for graduation from 36 to 30.

The changes to the degree are:

- Eliminate three redundant courses: GIS 105, GIS 202, GIS 205.
- Eliminate a course that is more appropriate as a graduate level course – GIS 103.

- Eliminate GIS 204 and revise GIS 203 to include some material originally planned for GIS 204.
 - Offer more directed electives in the areas of Geography, Mathematics, Computer Information Systems, Art and Design, and Architecture, Design and Construction.
 - Replace CIS 104 which has been discontinued with CIS 105.
 - Add a requirement that students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all GIS courses for graduation.
 - The proposed changes reduce the number of credits needed for graduation from 66 to 60.
- Approved the proposed Literacy competency/outcomes. The proposal defines information literacy outcomes based on the Association of College and Research Libraries standards.

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