

Department Meeting

October 18, 2017

Noon – 1:20 Gould 208J

Agenda items

12:00 — 12:20	RE:UP Curriculum Guide and Discussion	Ariadne Brancato
12:20 — 12:40	10 Year Review Update	Campbell
12:40 — 1:20	Budget Review	Campbell

Present: Christopher Campbell, Larissa Maziak, Phil Hurvitz, Sofia Dermisi, Branden Born, Rachel Berney, Bob Mugerauer, Diana Siembor, Qing Shen, Manish Chalana

Student Representative: Ariadne Brancato

RE:UP

A review and recommendation from RE:UP was sent out to UDP faculty at the end of last spring and again just recently.

Incorporating Race, Social Justice, and Difference in Professional Planning Programs A review of relevant literature and graduate programs

Conversation

RE:UP would like to continue the process of liaising with the department..

One argument is that the MUP curriculum needs to be more forward in terms of reflecting issues of race and social justice. This issue was also driven by the UDP faculty and it was a real desire to move forward and the faculty are collectively engaged in addressing. The hope is to work together with RE;UP in looking for recommendations

RE:UP now wants to hear what the faculty are doing with this information and how they are moving forward with this information.

This is a good starting point...and it's great to just start having an open dialogue.

What are faculty doing with this information?

Bob Mugerauer changed his planning, history and ethics course curriculum as a direct result...He's looking to students and started looking at the issue of gross inequity

Students were asked to find a first-person account of inequity...and those were the basis for discussions.

Slight issue was how to share the data the students had collected...

After election...certain people were talking down to Trump supporters...how do you make these types of conversations inclusive.

One of the major curricular changes the department has been talking about is moving toward the cluster idea.... allowing students more freedom in what they study.

There is no real accountability for faculty to make these changes and RE:UP has hit on a lot of these issues.

Another result of starting these conversations was the start of the RSJ seminar

This shouldn't be a debate of should this happen, it's when and how fast.

The work of anti-racism is deep work and long work...

We need better commitment from the Dean's office

Example: funding of the BE Gallery... vs...gender specific bathrooms

Can we put timelines and expectations on the recommendations from RE:UP

This might be case where a number of faculty don't have training in race and social justice and how it relates to training.

Also, what's the review process for this...how can we measure and what would be agreeable, what makes something meet the requested standard

Our curriculum committee doesn't review the syllabi...is this something the CC can look through and help review and then as a department, take on more responsibility?

As an example, The public health program has been committed to make their program non racist...COPHP

What is the balance between using the frame of RSJ and how it reflects in the course work...but can you use that frame for each topic?

In 512...BB has changed the text books to reflect the kind of things that our students want to do such as a focus on transformative topics.

We will continue to have these conversations moving forward...

10 year review:

Discussion of the UW graduate School 10-year review process.

The main reason for this review is a way to help departments become the best department they can be.

The Department of Urban Design and Planning will submit a **draft of the site visit agenda and its self-study by January 12, 2018.**

The two-day site visit will be February 5-6 2018

Budget Conversation:

Slide show explaining the ABB system

Christopher would like to have a departmental team of a couple faculty members to have a really close look at how we could better utilize our resources to get more ABB funding.

Faculty Committee Assignments:

Assignment	
Associate Chair	Purcell
Associate Dean for Research	Alberti
Dir UDP PhD	Shen
Dir BE PhD	Mugerauer
College Council (3 yr apt)	Chalana
College Curriculum Com (3 yr apt)	Chalana
College Senator (faculty senate) 2 yr rotation	Purcell
Dept Curriculum Committee	Berney Grover Campbell Abramson
Studio Committee	Berney Born Chalana Abramson Blum
Diversity Committee	Bae Chalana Born
ABB/finance committee	Qing Whittington
BE Deans Hiring Committee	Bae