**Committee on Educational Policy and Planning**

**Meeting Minutes**

**February 16, 2017**

**In attendance:** Erica Bastress-Dukehart (Chair), Cerri Banks, Beau Breslin, Marta Brunner, Sarah Coker, Catherine Hill, Henry Jaffe, Kelly Sheppard (Scribe)

1. The minutes of February 9th meeting were approved with minor stylistic changes.
2. The Committee read and discussed the liberal arts language for the curricular proposal.
3. Minor formatting changes needed in the proposal were noted.
4. The Explorations category in the proposal was revised to Inquiries to better highlight the role of the requirements in the curricular proposal.
5. The Committee agreed the preamble to the proposal needs to be revised and better reflect the curricular change proposed.
6. The revised Bridge Experience language was discussed along with the rationale for the requirement. Focus on U.S. for the Bridge Experience was discussed. Given the revision, a new count of courses will be carried out to determine if additional courses are needed.
7. Rationales will be added to the other major changes to the curriculum in the proposal (AQR, Senior Coda, and the In the Major requirements).
8. The Senior Coda reflective essay was discussed. Given the diverse range of courses and disciplines, the Committee agreed the essay was too restrictive. The requirement will be revised to enable greater flexibility as to the nature of the reflective experience in the Coda.

Respectfully Submitted: Kelly Sheppard