

OPDD Program Meeting 16 August 2024 (1pm, 227 JQL)

In attendance: Jim Arnold, Julie Lamarra, Mark Larese-Casanova, Dave Gibson, Sean Michael, Brian Warnick, Andrew Deucester

Facilities, Classrooms, & Labs (10 min.)

Welcome to Mark LC!

Need some help moving equipment from KLIM lab to VSB labs when elevator in VSB is fixed.

Policies, Lab Techs, and TAs – Need to post policies, what they are.

Curriculum and Courses (20 min.)

OPDD 3500 Material Science, to receive Q.I. and DSC, working to apply for this now. Will replace the need for students to take FCSE 3030 Textile Science.

OPDD 1700 changed to OPDD ~~2700~~ 2710 Professional Seminar/Portfolio course for clarity during registration. We should all visit this course this Fall. See new portfolio requirements on our website.

OPDD 1100 Intro to product creation. We should all visit this course this fall. MarkLC is making appointments for you now. Make sure students get to know you, what you teach, and how you can help them. Promote the program.

Course sections with low enrollment...

Program Issues and Opportunities (60 min.)

New portfolio requirements and expectations, reduce anxiety etc.

Enrollment concerns

We need to schedule meetings each month of this semester to discuss:

1st - all the Freshman courses, adjustments and additions

2nd - all the Sophomore courses, adjustments and additions

3rd - all the Junior courses, adjustments and additions

4th - all the Senior courses, adjustments and additions

Courses we can teach (upper division tech electives) at the Junior and Senior level that offer more OPDD degree content. (e.g. Pilot a Merchandizing course?)

Associate degree options/discussion (new certificate programs not encouraged)

Tracks need clearer definition. No portfolio for PLM and Development? PLM and Development get a minor in Design? Combine PLM and Development into one track? Videos on web site?

Merchandizing track?

Undergraduate Research?

Orientation and welcome event at the beginning of Fall semester.

Recruiting (10 min.)

Outside Utah and international recruitment. Long range

St George HS recruiting?

SLCC. Once a semester visit from us?

Tech Systems issue? Students must understand the importance of OPDD studio courses that prepare them for a job.