

ARCH/AEC Faculty Discipline Meeting

April 5, 2013

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Bachman 113

Meeting Summary

Present: Kris Palagi, Maria Simon and Magi Sarvimaki (UHM Architecture); Joyce Hamasaki, Joel Tanabe, Gayle Cho and Donna DeLuz-Marcelino (Haw CC AEC); Mike Barrows and Mike Jennings (Hon CC AEC); Joanne Itano and Susan Nishida (UH System).

Magi provided her perspective of UHCC transfer students who enter the UHM ARCH program and that their AEC courses currently transfer as electives. Students express frustration when they feel they have had the course content in previous CC courses and requested this meeting to discuss possible course articulations between UHM ARCH, Haw CC and Hon CC AEC programs.

An overview of the pre-professional program, BA in Interdisciplinary Studies was provided (see attached) which may be a terminal degree or the student may continue into the DArch graduate program (3 + 3). Year four is focused on concentrations, which are very interdisciplinary in nature. Four courses from other disciplines are required along with two required courses. ARCH is completing a proposal for a BA in Environmental Design that will replace the BA in IS with no change in current curriculum and hopes to have it approved for implementation by Fall 2014.

Haw CC offers an AAS in AEC that prepares graduates for the workforce. There have been occasional transfer students to the UHM ARCH program. Graduates tend to be hired as independent contractors to draft for engineering and architectural firms which tend to be one person offices on the island of Hawai'i. They may also be employed with HELCO or surveying companies. Generally, about 16 students are admitted each Fall and an average of 10 graduates in two years. In Spring 2013, 15 graduates are expected.

Hon CC offers an AS and CA in AEC. Up to 26 students may be admitted in year one, and approximately 24 enroll in year two with 17-18 graduating each spring. Graduates are employed in engineering offices, contractors and, this spring, it is anticipated that all graduates will have employment at graduation.

Various courses were reviewed for different kinds of articulations:

1. course (possibly more than one) to course articulation which would be entered into the campus articulation database.
2. waiver of a 300-level course with the completion of one or more CC courses. This would be documented by campus-to-campus articulation agreement.

Group actions:

1. AEC 115 (Haw CC) articulates with ARCH 100 (UHM); AEC 135 (Hon CC) already articulates to UHM. AEC 115 is 2 credits but involves 4 contact hours/week while ARCH 100 is 3 credits. Susan will check with UHM Admission and Records about any issues about articulation since credit hours differ but student contact hours are greater with Haw CC course.
2. ARCH 101 (UHM) and AEC 133 (Haw CC). Since this is a studio course and a new UHM faculty is to be hired specifically for this course, will await the new hire (fall 2013) before continuing discussion.
3. ARCH 320 (UHM) and AEC 118, 131 and 136 from Hon CC and AEC 118, 131 and 138 from Haw CC. Syllabi for ARCH 320, AEC 118 from Hon and Haw CCs to be sent to Susan who will share with group. Kris is responsible for reviewing syllabi before the end of the semester and some combination of the CC courses may be equivalent to ARCH 320, a waiver agreement will be developed.
4. ARCH 321 (UHM) and AEC 126 (Haw CC). Syllabi for ARCH 321 and AEC 126 will be sent to Susan who will distribute to group. Kris is responsible for reviewing syllabi before the end of the semester and some combination of the CC courses may be equivalent to ARCH 320, a waiver agreement will be developed.

Gayle Cho is the contact for Haw CC AEC program.