

UCUI Meeting Minutes - September 6, 2022

Attendees: Kristin Landis-Piwowar, Kathy Dailey (Scribe), Beth Dawson (Guest), Steven Filler (Guest), Kathy Battles (Guest), Chhabi Govind, Ambika Bhargava, Nicole Boelk, Joshua Haworth, Yan Li, Donna Free, Melanie Chamberlain, Mario Scibilia, Theresa Anasti, Richard Olawoyin, Sara Webb, Tricia Westergaard, Cheryl Jusela, Nancy Fetzer, Ginnie Uhley, Sam Rosenthal, Donna Free, Emily Spunaugle

Absent: Irene Shabazz

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. UCUI Process + Charge

- This committee serves undergraduate curriculum
- Should parallel to Graduate Council charge
- Reordering charge to mirror undergrad and grad
- Monitor Petitions of Exceptions

Will be revisited; likely to come out of our charge

Should be a more university wide process change

- Will not be preparing annual report on Petitions of Exceptions
- Preparing an annual report for archives
- Recommendations to university senate

Majority of our committee reviews and approves curriculum changes

(Curriculog)

- Advising SBRC and SPRC Committees
- Cooperating with GEC

Reconsideration of how this committee interacts and communicates between the two/ better collaboration in the future

- Scheduling and monitoring program reviews

This will be changing to better align grad and undergrad in a new senate committee to manage

- Evaluate Programs

This is the bulk of what this committee does and should move to be the priority of the committee / follow our own policies

- Policies will be proposed throughout this year to assist in aligning procedures for the university to follow

- Advising Senate in Undergraduate curriculum
- Reordering and greater alignment will be proposed to this committee prior to bring changes to the Senate

GOALS

- Agenda and materials posted in eSpace one week prior to meetings
- Presenters are invited to present and then leave meeting for discussion and vote
- Final decisions are voted upon by this committee
- Items then move through university governance

3. Meeting Minutes from April 26, 2022

Motion: Chhabi Govind; Second: Cheryl Jusela)

OLD BUSINESS: INFORMATION

OLD BUSINESS: ACTION

NEW BUSINESS: INFORMATION

NEW BUSINESS: ACTION

4. Modified Major in Chinese Documents- Program Modification Proposal to add "Chinese" to the existing Modified Major in a Modern Language; Department of Modern Languages & Literatures, (CAS) - Stephen Filler & Beth Dawson

- There are a number of students who are pursuing this modified major and looking to graduate
- Students will not be able to graduate without approval

- Modified major requires 25 credits in major
- Since there is not a full Chinese Major, this option would fulfill a need for students who traveled to Taiwan and received credits
- Was voted on by the COI in February 2022 in dept; there was a clerical error and this was put forth in the catalog without a proper program modification form
- Because this is a new program, it is now going through the proper governance
- COMMENT: This will need to be made effective retroactively to the 2021/22 catalog which has never been done before and is supported by the Registrar's Office / the summer degrees will not be awarded to two students until this is resolved / this is a one time exception not to be precedent for the future
- HLC was notified and all parameters are being met; as long as we follow our own university parameters we are in HLC compliance

- COMMENT: Modified major has fewer credit requirements and Capstone requirement / evolved as a second major combining coursework / in terms of content, it is the same requirement as the full major
- COMMENT: Expanded discussion on students traveling to Taiwan with a one time opportunity for subsidized travel / not likely in the future
- COMMENT: Why is this not a full major? / There are modified majors for all of the other 4 languages (except Chinese) / Not enough enrollments for a full major
- COMMENT: What is the name of the degree? / Original major + Modified Chinese Major / Bachelor of Interdisciplinary BS Degree + Modified Chinese / Bachelor of Applied Statistics Major + Modified Chinese / unless they qualify with credits for a full second degree then it would be listed differently
- This is a flexible option for students to add value to their education
- Catalog language will be clarified
- COMMENT: For clarification there is a difference between two majors and two degrees
- COMMENT: Is this valuable to the students? / At this moment, this is what the students have been offered and making this happen is important / in the very near

future, the language “name” change would be brought forward / this paired with a second major is beneficial for many students (SBA, SECS, etc.) / enrollment trends are also being reviewed /

- COMMENT: Without this passing, the students would graduate with a minor / not obligated to approve but suggesting an approval with modifying the dept name / this is a great opportunity for modern language
- COMMENT: Is it possible to make the approval for the selected students but nothing moving forward? / it would become available retroactively for six years to prior students / in theory it could be approved for a set period of time by UCUI /
- COMMENT: Catalog copy reviewed / This is bumping up a minor to a modified major
- COMMENT: Is the modified major of such a value to the students that this is necessary? Will an employer recognize the difference between minor and modified major? Can the name change be a part of this approval? / Not enough time to do this for the students who will graduate in summer (Last day is October 17th to award their degree - so it needs to go through all levels of governance) + Clearinghouse deadline / 2 for summer + 11 in the cue for the modified Chinese
- COMMENT: Since this is approved retroactively, can the catalog then be closed? / Only students admitted prior to or admitted to that year / there is a consideration for advising /

Motion: Richard Olawoyin, Second: Joshua Hayworth

APPROVED retroactively for one year 2021 -2022 catalog year only

5. Communication Minor Documents - Program Modification Proposal to remove a course no longer offered and replace with a course that will satisfy the general education requirement; Department of Communication & Journalism, (CAS) - Kathy Battles

- Catalog Copy clean up resulted in replacing courses that is consistent with offerings
- COM 2702 is Performance Communication; replacing Competitive Speaking which is no longer listed in the minor with a course that is available
- This is a very popular minor for students

- COMMENT: The 3000 level course is no longer available and is the content being transferred to other courses / how do you compensate for the loss of a 3000 level course
- RESPONSE: The course removed was in the Forensics Program; this program is no longer available
- COMMENT: General; there is not a prescribed number of credits that provide for a minor / this will be brought forward to all faculty and through governance / higher credit loads make minors less attractive to students / consideration to reduce total number of credits of a minor to 16 credits (meeting faculty curriculum standards)
- COMMENT: Positive change / GEN Ed qualifier on the course instead of the same course offered twice / consideration of courses shifting from 4-3 credits / shift from 5 courses at 20 credits would then be 5 courses at 15 credits for the requirements and allowed

Motion: Joshua Hayworth, Second: Richard Olawoyin

APPROVED

6. UCUI Charge Change- First Reading Kristin Landis-Piwowar

- Membership includes Director of Integrative Studies
- Two Changes:

1) Interdisciplinary to Integrative name change

2) General Chairperson of the Faculty Council for Interdisciplinary Studies be a voting member of the UCUI

Motion: Richard Olaya, Second: CHeryl Jusela

APPROVED

7. Policy Changes - Kristin Landis Piwowar

- Google Definition Sheet for proposed definitions for review and considerations to gather information / feel free to chair with other faculty, chairs, advisers

GOOD & WELFARE

Thank you to Kristin Landis-Piwowar from Registrar Tricia Westergaard for her efforts in this definition and encouragement to share and begin the discussion

Welcome back to Richard and congratulations on the Fullbright.

ADJOURN

Motion: Yan Li , Second: Emily Spunaugle