

University Academic Council
Minutes
April 5, 2022

Date Approved: May 3, 2022

Present: Rhonda Weller-Stilson, Tammy Randolph, Fred Adjei, Sandy Hinkle, Mel Odegard-Koester, Chris Haug, Tim Schmidt, Nathan Bullock, Alisha Ortiz (proxy for Alberto Dávila), Elizabeth Rudloff, Sarah Shaner, Mike Godard,

Absent: Christopher Baldwin, Barbara Glackin, Joe Pujol, Doug Koch, Pamela Gershuny, Julie Twidwell

Guests: Susan Kendrick, Tim Judd, Toni Alexander, Brooke Hildebrand Clubbs, Phil Crawford, Sven Svenson

## A. MINUTES:

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Schmidt, to approve the distributed minutes from the March 1, 2022 University Academic Council Meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.

#### B. ACTION ITEMS:

**New Programs:** 

- 1. College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
  - 1. Biology
    - a. MS in Biology

Motion by Randolph, second by Schmidt, to consider and approve the new MS in Biology. Tim Judd described the new program. Discussion followed. Small core and flexibility for students. Change to 30 hours. Targeting alumni and others interested in a 1 year program. Look at an accelerated option. Motion approved unanimously.

## Other:

## 1. College of Humanities and Social Sciences

- 1. English
  - a. Program Change & Option Deletions: BA in Writing
    - Course Changes
    - Deletion of Option in Professional Writing
    - Deletion of Option in Creative Writing

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the BA in Writing and deletion of the Option in Professional Writing and the Option in Creative Writing. Susan Kendrick described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Program Change: Minor in Small Press Publishing – Course Changes

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the Minor in Small Press Publishing. Susan Kendrick described the revisions. Minor is more interdisciplinary. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

c. Program Change: Minor in Writing – Course Changes

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Bullock, to consider and approve the revision of the Minor in Writing. Susan Kendrick described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

d. Program Change: Minor in Literature – Course Changes

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Adjei, to consider and approve the revision of the Minor in Literature. Susan Kendrick described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

- 1. History and Anthropology
  - a. Program Change: <u>BSEd in Social Studies Education</u>, <u>Secondary</u> Course Changes

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the BSEd in Social Studies Education, Secondary. Toni Alexander described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

## 2. College of Education, Health and Human Studies

- 1. Leadership, Middle, and Secondary Education
  - a. Program Change: MA in Higher Education Administration Course Changes

Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Adjei, to consider and approve the revision of the MA in Higher Education Administration. Brooke Hildebrand Clubbs described the revisions. Discussion followed. Small core, fewer electives, HyFlex and online options. Internal marketing to attract current employees and RAs. Courses available in the summer. Motion approved unanimously.

# 3. College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

- 1. Chemistry and Physics
  - a. Program Change: BS in Physics Course Changes

Motion by Randolph, second by Schmidt, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Physics. Phil Crawford described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

- 2. Agriculture
  - a. Program Change: BS in Agribusiness: Horticulture and Cannabis Option

Motion by Randolph, second by Odegard-Koester, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Agribusiness: Horticulture Option. Sven Svenson described the revisions and the justification for the title change to BS in Agribusiness: Horticulture and Cannabis Option.

Discussion followed. Some course cleanup will be needed with Sandy Hinkle to clarify total credit hours. MS in Agribusiness will be coming shortly. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Program Change: BS in Agribusiness: Agriculture Systems Management Option

Motion by Randolph, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Agribusiness: Agriculture Systems Management Option. Sven Svenson described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

#### C. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 1. Proposed New Courses, Significant Course Revisions and Terminations: (proposed courses and course title changes are currently submitted for 10-day review, or were reviewed since the last Academic Council)
  - a. College of Education, Health, and Human Studies
    - i. Department of Communication Disorders
      - CD510 Multicultural Iss CD Termination
      - CD659 Speech and Language Services in Special Populations Title Change
    - ii. Department of Elementary, Early and Special Education
      - o EL629 Advanced Studies in Children's Literature Title Change
      - EL646 Aspects of Literacy Development and Acquisition Title Change
      - o EL644 Creating and Fostering Literate Environments Title Change
    - iii. Department of Leadership, Middle and Secondary Education
      - EA638 Equity & Access in Higher Education Title Change
      - o EA617 Communication in Higher Education New Course
      - o EA619 Research in College Context Termination
  - b. Holland College of Arts and Media
    - i. Department of Music
      - o MH252 Evolution of Musical Style Since 1800 Title Change
      - o MH310 Popular Music in America and Beyond Title Change
    - ii. Department of Art & Design
      - AR505 Social Practice of Printmaking and Fibers New Course
      - AH517 Special Topics in Art History New Course
  - c. College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
    - i. Department of Engineering and Technology
      - o IM099 Technology Management Apprenticeship New Course
  - d. College of Humanities and Social Sciences
    - i. Department of History and Anthropology
      - OS120 Introduction to Urban Studies New Course
    - ii. Department of Communication Studies & Modern Languages
      - o CN200 Chinese Language and Culture III Temporary Addition
      - SN301 Writing in the Language Industry Title Change
      - SN305 Conversation for Professional Purposes Title Change
      - SN330 Professional Spanish Grammar Title Change
      - o SN420 Hispanic Cinema: On-Screen Fiction New Course
      - o SN425 Reeling Reality: Hispanic Nonfiction Film New Course

## D. DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER:

1. Approval of Courses linked to Program Changes

- a. Courses will be held for final approval until program is approved.
- 2. Appropriate reasons for abstention
  - a. True conflict of interest
  - b. Option: Roll call voting
  - c. Representative member or at large member
    - i. Voting philosophy or guidance on taking a position on a vote.
- 3. Curriculum Approval Process moving to Workflow (Testing Workflow Link)
  - **a.** First programs have proceeded through testing and will be considered at next Academic Council.

Meeting adjourned.