

University Academic Council Minutes March 7, 2023

Date Approved: April 4, 2023

- Present: Barbara Glackin, Lydia Pobst, Leah McAlister, Alberto Dávila, Rhonda Weller-Stilson, Chris Haug, Tim Schmidt, Mike Godard, Sandy Hinkle, Eric Bain-Selbo, Sarah Shaner, Doug Koch, Joe Pujol, Julie Twidwell, Christopher Baldwin, Frederick Adjei
- Absent: Tammy Randolph

Guests: Laura Hatcher, Dave Yaskewich

A. MINUTES:

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Schmidt, to approve the distributed minutes from February 7, 2023 University Academic Council Meeting. Motion was approved. Twidwell and Pobst abstained.

B. ACTION ITEMS:

New Programs:

- A. Harrison College of Business and Computing
 - 1. Accounting, Economics, and Finance
 - a. New Degree: BSBA in Business Analytics

Motion by Dávila, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the addition of the BSBA in Business Analytics. Dave Yaskewich described the new degree. Discussion followed. The degree has the same business foundation plus additional computer courses to apply to business topics. Meets a workforce need and demand. CIP code falls into the OPT STEM category. Likely there will be a net gain in enrollment, despite some students switching from other existing majors. Would be able to have degree seeking students in August, but marketing cannot begin until there is MDHEWD approval. Motion approved unanimously.

b. New Degree: BS in Financial Econometrics

Motion by Dávila, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the addition of the BS in Financial Econometrics. Dave Yaskewich described the new degree. This degree would have better skills preparation for data analysis, economics and finance. It has the same General Education requirements as the BSBA to facilitate internal transfer of majors. Discussion followed. The college has technology to support this degree. Once the degree is approved, the Business Economics Option of the BSBA will be phased out. This degree also fits into the OPT STEM designation. Motion approved unanimously.

Addition of Minors: None

Other:

A. College of Humanities and Social Sciences

- 1. Political Science, Philosophy, and Religion
 - a. Program Deletion: <u>BA in Philosophy</u>

Motion by Bain-Selbo, second by Pujol, to consider and approve the deletion of the BA in Philosophy. Eric Bain-Selbo described the justification for the deletion. This program was reviewed under the Program Prioritization process. The Minor in Philosophy will continue. Many "majors only" courses will be deleted. Laura Hatcher described the history of the enrollment of the major. Motion approved unanimously.

C. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 1. College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
 - a. Biology
 - i. Program Change: <u>BSEd in Biology Teacher Education</u>
 - Minimal Course Changes
- 2. Proposed New Courses, Significant Course Revisions and Course Terminations:

(proposed courses are currently submitted for 10-day review, will be submitted for 10day review as of program approval, or were reviewed since the last Academic Council)

- a. Holland College of Arts and Media
 - i. Music
 - MM107 Theory Skills Music Course Termination
 - MU112 Class Guitar Course Termination
 - MU326 Performance Health Course Termination
 - MH328 Native American Music Course Termination
 - MP124 Privat String Course Termination
- b. College of Education, Health, and Human Studies
 - i. Psychology and Counseling
 - AB604 Adv Ethics & Prof Cond ABA I Course Termination
 - CP651 Prof Issue in Counsl Course Termination
 - CP664 Religion/Spiritual Counseling Course Termination
 - AB435 Intro to Behavior Analysis Course Termination
 - ii. Nursing
 - NS602 Qlty & Safety Adv Nursing Rls Course Termination
 - NS604 Evdnc-Bsd Prct: Synth Transl Course Termination
 - iii. Communication Disorders
 - CD666 Extern CD I: Medical/Clinical Course Termination
 - CD676 Externship II: Educational Course Termination
 - CD677 Extern in CD: Pediatric Course Termination
- c. College of Humanities and Social Sciences
 - i. Communication Studies and Modern Languages
 - SN215 Spanish for the Health Professions Title Change
 - ii. History and Anthropology
 - HP525 Living History in Historic Sites New Course
- D. DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER:
 - 1. We are going through the Program Review as part of the cyclical process described in the faculty handbook.

- a. As we look for ways to improve the process we will keep this body apprised of findings.
- b. Schedule of programs to be reviewed will be on mySEMO
- 2. Midterms and final first 8-week grades are due.

Meeting adjourned.