

FEBRUARY 4, 2025

Date approved: 3/4/2025

Present: Mel Odegard, Tammy Randolph, Rhonda Weller-Stilson, Shawn Guiling, Chris Haug, Karlee Ensor (SGA Representative), Eric Bain-Selbo, Paul Sharpe, Kevin Dickson, Ryan Heslinga (proxy Sandy Hinkle), Sarah Kuborn (proxy Joe Pujol), Sarah Shaner, Doug Koch, Hayley Love, Christopher Baldwin, Quantella Noto

Absent: none

Guests: Brian Donavant, Heather McMillan, Tim Judd, Courtney Kisat

I. [MINUTES:](#)

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Randolph, to approve the distributed minutes from December 3, 2024, University Academic Council Meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.

II. Action Items:

- New Programs: none
- Addition of Minor: none
- Other (Revisions and Deletions):
 - Harrison College of Business and Computing
 - Management
 - a. Program Change: [BS in Hospitality Management](#)
 - Course changes

Motion by Dickson, second by Love, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Hospitality Management. Quantella Noto described the justification for the revision of several courses. Course fee approvals will happen separately with the Budget Review Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

- College of Humanities and Social Sciences
 - Criminal Justice, Social Work, and Sociology
 - a. Program Change: [BS in Criminal Justice](#)
 - Course changes

Motion by Bain-Selbo, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Criminal Justice. Brian Donavant described the justification for the revision of the courses required. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Program Change: [MS in Criminal Justice](#)

➤ Course changes

Motion by Bain-Selbo, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the MS in Criminal Justice. Brian Donavant described the justification for the revision to courses and revising admission requirements. The degree is reduced to 30 hours from 36 hours. Moving to an 8-week course format, reducing time to degree to 12-18 months. Discussion followed. Motion was approved unanimously.

c. Program Change: [BS in Social Work](#)

➤ Course changes

Motion by Bain-Selbo, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Social Work. Brian Donavant described the justification for the revision to the courses required. Reduced the major from 63 to 60 hours. Discussion followed. Motion was approved unanimously.

- College of Education, Health, and Human Studies

- Child and Family Studies

- a. Program Change: [BS Child and Family Studies](#)

- Course changes

Motion by Kuborn, second by Dickson, to consider and approve the revision of the BS in Child and Family Studies. Sarah Kuborn described the justification for the revision. There are 2 Options, and now the core courses will be listed outside of the Options. The curriculum was also aligned with previous changes made by the Department of Psychology and Counseling to an advising track. Discussion followed. Motion was approved unanimously.

III. Tabled Items:

- College of Humanities and Social Sciences

- Criminal Justice, Social Work, and Sociology

- Program Change: [BS in Criminal Justice](#)

- a. Course changes

- b. Reduce degree from 120 credit hours to 90 credit hours

IV. Information Items:

- College of Humanities and Social Sciences

- History and Anthropology

- Revised Program: [BSEd in Social Studies Education](#)

- a. Minimal course changes

- Harrison College of Business and Computing

- Management

- Revised Program: [Minor in Hospitality Management](#)

- a. Minimal course changes

- College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
 - Biology
 - [Department Name Change](#)
 - a. Biology → Biological and Environmental Sciences
- [Proposed New Courses, Significant Course Revisions and Course Terminations](#): (proposed courses are currently submitted for 10-day review, will be submitted for 10-day review as of program approval, or were reviewed since the last Academic Council)
 - Harrison College of Business and Computing
 - Management
 - a. HM205 Introduction to Culinary Arts – Title change
 - b. HM350 International Cuisine & Culture – Title change
 - College of Humanities and Social Sciences
 - History and Anthropology
 - a. WH407 Ancient Egypt – New course
 - Criminal Justice, Social Work, and Sociology
 - a. CJ240 Principles of Law Enforcement – Title change
 - b. CJ250 Corrections – Title change
 - c. CJ410 Police Administration – Title change
 - d. CJ435 Special Topics – Title change
 - e. CJ471 Directed Research – Title change
 - f. CJ480 Travel Study – New course
 - g. CJ499 Senior Seminar – Title change
 - h. CJ602 Professional Dev Planning – New course
 - i. CJ603 Standards and Training – New course
 - j. CJ680 Travel Study – New course
 - k. CJ690 Professional Praxis – New Course
 - l. CJ540 Professional Standards – Title change
 - m. CJ600 Administration of Justice – Title change
 - n. CJ601 Applied Research – Title change
 - o. CJ626 Applied Analytics – Title change
 - p. CJ625 Adult Correctional Org & Admin – Course deletion
 - q. CJ834 Fld Exp in Corr Inst – Course deletion
 - r. SW308 Human Beh Soc Env II – Course deletion
 - s. SW323 Social Wk Pract III – Course deletion
 - Professional Studies
 - a. PX490 Experiential Learning Portfolio – Title change
 - College of Education, Health, and Human Studies
 - Leadership, Middle, and Secondary Education
 - a. SE501 AI in Education: Theory, Practice, and Innovation – New course
 - Allied Health, Kinesiology, and Sport Sciences
 - a. AT104 Scuba Diving – New course
 - Child and Family Studies
 - a. CF555 Responding to the Survivor of Child Abuse – Title change
 - b. CF570 Professional & Systems Responses to Child Maltreatment – Title change
 - c. CF470 Perspectives on Child Maltreatment and Advocacy – Title change

- Communication Disorders
 - a. CD406 Introduction to Clinical Practice – Title change

V. Discussion Items

- [New program proposal checklist and budget data](#) Feedback
 - Look at financials early on
 - Engage marketing early
 - Feedback on the checklist back to Office of the Provost in 2 weeks
- 120 credit hours policy in the bulletin
 - Ownership of the policy
 - Not a board policy
 - Reduced credit hour degrees
 - Concern continues about graduate programs not accepting a reduced credit hour degree as a credential for admission
 - What are the steps to move this forward?
 - What institutional support needs to be in place before departments move forward?
 - What is the framework?
 - a. Gen Ed, how many upper-level courses, etc.?
 - b. How many 100, 200, 300, 400 level classes?
 - What is HLC looking for?
 - Perhaps a subcommittee or workforce should meet to revise the definition of a bachelor's degree, or would it be a different degree?
 - Eric is happy to meet with any group to look at reduced credit hour degrees
 - Please have further conversation with your departments and colleges.
 - We will look closer at HLC language.

Meeting adjourned.