

Minutes
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
April 13, 2009
3:00– 5:00 P.M. 230 Student Services Building

Present: D. Zahm, (Chair); B. Watford for R. Benson; K Strickler for R. Daniel; C Clemenz for R. Sorensen; E. Fox; L. Anderson; M. Denbow; J Brozovsky; M. Lewis; C. Meier; J. Moore; C. Wood; J. Penven; J. Browder; J. Duke

Absent with Notification: V. Groover; D. Wubah; C. Finkielstein

Absent without notification: R. Avery; A. Boyce; M. McNamee; G. Schurig; M. Parette; E. Kline; J. Vaziralli; Z. Bahta; K. Collins; D. Tinsley; C. Quinn; S. Quisenberry; D. Russell; M. Kelly; L. N. Chang

Visitors: M. Maloney; W. Ashton; Paul Deck

- Call to Order and Announcements -

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Diane Zahm, Chair.

- Adoption of the Agenda

Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion was made to move the discussion about accelerated undergraduate/graduate courses to the top of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously. With this modification, the motion to approve the agenda as modified passed unanimously.

- Approval of March 23, 2009 Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies minutes passed unanimously, by motion, as presented.

- Report from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

- Committee on Undergraduate Curricula

Diane Zahm presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula meeting of March 27, 2009. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula report of March 27, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

**For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval**

Courses Effective Summer I 2009

GER 2114- Accelerated Intermediate German (new) Summer I 2009

Courses Effective Fall 2009

WOOD 3314: Wood Mechanics (new) Fall 2009

WOOD 4444: Wood-Based Composite Materials (new) Fall 2009

FST/HNFE 2544: Functional Foods for Health (new) Fall 2009

HIST 3164- Sexuality in American History (new) Fall 2009

HUM/IDST 2514- The Asian American Experience (new) Fall 2009

Courses Effective Spring 2010

FOR 2114: Ecology of Appalachian Forests (new) Spring 2010

WOOD 2614: Introduction to Forest Products Marketing (revised) Spring 2010

FST 4024: Principles of Sensory Evaluation (new) Spring 2010

STAT 3094- Introduction to SAS Programming (new) Spring 2010

Checksheets Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2011

HORT: Bachelor of Science in Horticulture– Horticultural Science Option (revised)

HORT: Bachelor of Science in Horticulture– Landscape Contracting Option (revised)

HORT: Bachelor of Science in Horticulture– Horticultural Education Option (revised)

HORT: Bachelor of Science in Horticulture– Horticultural Crops Option (revised)

CSES: Minor Environmental Science (revised)

CSES: Minor in Turfgrass Management (TRFM)(new)

*FOR: Natural Resources Conservation: Conservation and Recreation Management Option (CRM)
(renamed)*

Minor in Women’s & Gender Studies-(WGS) (renamed)

*Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies- Women’s & Gender Studies Degree Option (IDWG)
(renamed)*

Bachelor of Science in Interior Design- (revised)

Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering- (revised)

Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering: Bioprocess Engineering Option- (revised)

*Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering: Land and Water Resources Engineering Option-
(revised)*

Minors, Options and Designators Effective Fall 2009

Minor in Women’s & Gender Studies-(WGS)

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies- Women’s & Gender Studies Degree Option (IDWG)

CSES: Minor in Turfgrass Management (TRFM)

FOR: Natural Resources Conservation: Conservation and Recreation Management Option (CRM)

Discontinuation of the Options and Designators Effective at the end of Fall 2010

Horticulture- Horticulture Therapy Option (HTHR)

- **University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education**

Cindy Wood presented the minutes of the February 4 2009, and March 4, 2009 University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education meetings. The motion was made and seconded to accept the University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education minutes of February 4, 2009. The motion passed unanimously. The motion was made and seconded to accept the University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education minutes of March 4, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

- **University Commencement Committee**

Candi Clemenz presented the University Commencement Committee minutes of March 4, 2009. The motion was made and seconded to accept the University Commencement Committee minutes of March 4, 2009. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Other Business**

Paul Deck presented the report from GCSP concerning the new linked undergraduate/graduate degree program as outlined in resolution CGSP 2008-2009B. The motion was made and seconded to accept this report. It was determined that although this document cannot be changed, friendly amendments can be made. Many concerns were raised regarding this report. It was determined that at the end of the third “Resolved”, the statement “as determined by the original program” be added at the end. There was concern raised over the mandatory 3.25/3.5 GPA. Some representatives stated that their colleges have decided what GPA requirements are appropriate. Concern was also expressed on this issue because it does not consider students who may do poorly in other majors before finding and excelling in their field of study. A friendly amendment was requested to remove the GPA statement. It was determined that the fourth and the fifth “Resolved” statements are conflicting. Concern was presented as to why students cannot switch back and forth between the research track and the professional track. It was stated that a student will be allowed one switch from either track to the other by the end of the first full graduate semester. It was also presented to the commission that this is because the object is to get students on track early and have them stay on their chosen track. A friendly amendment was made to strike the final “Resolved” statement in the resolution.

It was decided that it be brought to the attention of the University Council that neither CUC or CUSP was previously presented with this document, and therefore was unable to make changes or suggestions before presentation of the final draft. The commission unanimously agreed that they are opposed to this report, and believe it was incorrectly sent through governance, (without passing through the undergraduate commission). A motion was made and seconded to reject this document. The motion to reject this document passed unanimously.

The UCCLE committee discussion of vIews was not heard due to lack of time.

- The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Submitted by,
Megan Maloney
Office of the University Registrar