

**MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES**  
**APRIL 26, 2021**  
**VIA ZOOM, 3:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by P. Deck, Chair. Those in attendance were:

**PRESENT:** P. Deck (Chair); A. Atiq; S. Corcoran; S. Sumner for A. Grant; R. Holloway; M. Pleimling for S. Morton; K. Redican; J. Sible; D. Stauffer for E. Wiseman; S. Tatum; K. Thompson; D. Thorp; S. Vicente; C. Wood

**ABSENT:** K. Albright; J. Bennett; D. Chowen; A. Council; K. Edgar; D. Givens; K. Goyne; H. Gumbert; H. Hahn; A. Johnson; S. Johnson; L. Khansa; L. Learman; A. Litchford; J. Paul; C. Treanor

**VISITORS:** G. Costello; J. Espinoza; D. Gerrard; M. Kimbrell; A. Myers; B. Smith; R. Sparks; D. Winston

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Acknowledging that there was not a quorum, the Agenda items listed below will be approved electronically by Commission members.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. Approval of the agenda will be by electronic vote.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES**

P. Deck announced that the April 12, 2021 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar's website:

[https://www.registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar\\_vt\\_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2020-2021/4-12/cusp\\_minutes\\_4\\_12\\_21.pdf](https://www.registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar_vt_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2020-2021/4-12/cusp_minutes_4_12_21.pdf)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 2020-2021K** *Resolution for the Establishment of a School of Animal Sciences at Virginia Tech, Second Reading*

P. Deck presented for second reading Resolution 2020-2021K *Resolution for the Establishment of a School of Animal Sciences at Virginia Tech.*

P. Deck opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2020-2021K.

- Commission members present had no comments.

Approval of Resolution 2020-2021K will be by electronic vote. Upon electronic approval, this Resolution will be forwarded for review at University Council.

## **REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Academic Support Committee**

No report.

#### **Academic Policies Committee**

No report.

#### **Athletics Committee**

P. Deck presented on behalf of H. Gumbert the April 8, 2021 minutes of the University Athletics Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 8, 2021 minutes of the University Athletics Committee.

Acceptance of the minutes will be by electronic vote.

#### **Commencement Committee**

No report.

#### **Honor Council**

No report.

#### **Library Committee**

No report.

#### **Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**

P. Deck presented on behalf of S. Corcoran the report of the April 9, 2021 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 9, 2021 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

Approval of the report will be by electronic vote.

**UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT—APRIL 9, 2021**

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

**COURSES**

**New:**

**Fall 2021**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

HNFE 2274 Wilderness First Responder (CM-6783)

**College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

BC 1014 Building A Strong Foundation for Success (CM-6781)

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

MUS 2314 Woodwind Techniques I—Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone (CM-6754)

MUS 2324 Woodwind Techniques II—Oboe and Bassoon (CM-6755)

MUS 2334 High Brass Techniques (CM-6763)

MUS 2364 Introduction to Music Education (CM-6765)

MUS 3244 Vocal Pedagogy (CM-6686)

MUS 4234 Topics in Music Education (CM-6693)

MUS 4214 Instrumental Methods: Elementary (CM-6694)

**Pamplin College of Business**

MGT 3084 Digital Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Product Development  
(CM-6779)

MKTG 2104 Careers in Marketing (CM-6784)

MKTG 3134 Personal Well-being and Professional Success (CM-6780)

**Revised:**

**Fall 2021**

**College of Engineering**

BSE 2004 Introduction to Biological Systems Engineering (CM-6593)

**College of Science**

PHYS 2324 Thermal Physics Module (CM-6766)

PHYS 2334 Waves and Sound Module (CM-6767)

PHYS 2344 Optics Module (CM-6768)

**Discontinue:**

**Fall 2022**

**College of Engineering**

BSE 3134 Biological Systems Engineering Seminar (CM-6593)

**DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS**

**Major:**

**Revised:**

**Effective Catalog 2021-2022**

**College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

Revised Major: Creative Technologies (CTCH) under Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6548)

Revised Major: Graphic Design (GRAP) under Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6550)

Revised Major: Studio Art (STU) under Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6552)

### **College of Engineering**

Revised Major: Biological Systems Engineering (BSE) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Biological Systems Engineering (BSBSE), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6592)

### **College of Science**

Revised Major: Systems Biology (SYSB) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Systems Biology (BSSYS), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6451)

### **Major Concentration/Option:**

#### **Revised:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2021-2022**

#### **College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Art History (AHST) under Degree: Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Art (ART), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022 (CM-6544)

### **Major Concentration/Option:**

#### **Discontinue:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2021-2022**

#### **College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option: Africana Studies (AFST), under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Sociology (SOC), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022; last term to enroll: Spring 2021, last term to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-6789)

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option: American Indian Studies (AINS), under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Sociology (SOC), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022; last term to enroll: Spring 2021, last term to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-6790)

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option: Research Methods (RMTH), under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Sociology (SOC), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022; last term to enroll: Spring 2021, last term to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-6791)

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option: Social Inequality (INEQ), under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Sociology (SOC), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022; last term to enroll: Spring 2021, last term to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-6792)

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option: Women's and Gender Studies (WGST), under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Sociology (SOC), effective for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2021-2022; last term to enroll: Spring 2021, last term to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-6793)

### **University Curriculum Committee for General Education**

J. Sible presented the minutes of the April 7, 2021 University Curriculum Committee for General Education.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 7, 2021 report of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education.

Acceptance of the minutes will be by electronic vote.

### **Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee**

J. Sible presented the report of the April 14, 2021 Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 14, 2021 report of the Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee.

Approval of the report will be by electronic vote.

## **PATHWAYS GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT—**

**APRIL 14, 2021**

**For "First and Second Reading"  
Unanimous Approval**

**COURSES**

**New:**

**CLE Summer 2021/Pathways Summer 2021**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

FMD 2014: Digital Drawing (CLE Area 6, Pathways Critique and Practice in Design G06d, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6757)

**CLE Fall 2022/Pathways Fall 2022**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

PPE 1004: Introduction to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (CLE Areas 2 and 3, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the US G07, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 6682)

PPE 2894: PPE Gateway Course (CLE Areas 2 and 3, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 6683)

PPE 4884: PPE Capstone Course (CLE Area 2, Pathways Advanced Discourse G01a, Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6684)

**Pathways Fall 2021**

**College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

ARCH 1044 (SPIA 1044): Life in the Built Environment (Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the US G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6620)

CAUS 4234: Capstone Collaborations: Cross-Disciplinary Teams (Pathways Advanced Discourse G01a, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 6400)

**Pathways Spring 2022**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

SPES 2244: World Crops: Food and Culture (Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the US G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6604)

**Revised:**

**Pathways Summer 2021**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

LDRS 2014: Principles of Peer Leadership (Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6758)

LDRS 3304: Elements of Team Leadership (Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 6759)

**Pathways Fall 2021**

**College of Engineering**

MSE 2884: Materials Engineering Professional Development I  
MSE 3884: Materials Engineering Professional Development II  
MSE 4085-4086: Senior Capstone Recitation  
(MSE 2884, MSE 3884, and MSE 4085-4086 contribute towards Pathways Advanced Discourse G01a, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 6165)

**Pamplin College of Business**

HTM 2464: Introduction to Service (Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6505)

**Discontinued:**

**Effective Spring 2022**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

CSES 3344: World Crops and Cropping Systems (CM 6604)

**Effective Fall 2022**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

PHIL 2894 (PSCI 2894) (ECON 2894): Introduction to Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (CM 6683)

PHIL 4884 (PSCI 4884) (ECON 4884): Advanced Topics in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (CM 6684)

**MINORS**

**Revised:**

**Effective Catalog 2021-2022**

**Pamplin College of Business**

Revision of Minor: Event and Experience Management (EEMG) (CM 6587)

**CONSTITUENT REPORTS**

**Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs**

No report.

**Staff Senate**

No report.

**Faculty Senate**

No report.

**Student Government Association**

No report.

**Graduate Student Assembly**

No report.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**5 Year Untaught Course Report – Fall 2020**

P. Deck presented the 5 Year Untaught Course Report – Fall 2020.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 5 Year Untaught Course Report – Fall 2020.

Approval of the report will be by electronic vote.

**Nominations/Review of CUSP Sub-Committee Chairs and Representatives  
For Academic Year 2021-2022**

The following individuals accepted nominations to serve as Chairs and Representatives of CUSP Sub-Committees for Academic Year 2021-2022:

- Academic Support Committee – Paul Deck

- Commission nominated Paul Deck. Approval of nomination will be by electronic vote.
- University Commencement Committee – Kerry Redican
  - Commission nominated Kerry Redican. Approval of nomination will be by electronic vote.
- University Curriculum Committee for General Education –
  - Commission will revisit in the fall.

#### Office of Undergraduate Admissions Report

Juan Espinoza presented a report on the Fall 2021 entering class noting an increase in applications received, target enrollment numbers, and the effect of allowing self-reporting academic records and making standardized testing optional.

A motion was made and seconded to accept an updated Office of Undergraduate Admissions Report with final enrollment numbers.

Approval of the report will be by electronic vote.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Commission members present acknowledged adjournment at 3:55 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Becki Smith, Office of the University Registrar*