# Florida Atlantic University University Honors Council

19 April 2019

Boca – GS 214B; Jupiter – HC 130

#### Minutes

### Meeting started at 8:33 am

Present: Mary Ann Gosser (Chair); Cynthia Blum; Mare Cudic; Charles Dukes; Michael Harris; Eric Levy; Diana

Mitsova; Miguel Á. Vázquez **Excused:** Michael Harrawood

Ex-officio: Ed Pratt, Donna Chamely-Wiik, Debbi Johnson-Rais

**Guests:** Keith Jakee (WHC)

#### Minutes of 29 March 2019 were approved

## 1) New Business:

A. Discussed the following new course proposals from the Wilkes Honors College:

- a. ART 4653C H 3D Computer Game Development
- b. ECO 3941 H Advanced Research & Writing Methods in Business & Economics I
- c. ECO 4943 H Advanced Research & Writing Methods in Business & Economics II

The committee asked Dr. Jakee to review and resubmit the ECO 4943 with the understanding the members of the UHC will e-vote on the revised version. The revisions included:

- 1. add pre-requisite information to the New Course Proposal Form
- 2. On the syllabus: correct the number for the prerequisite to ECO 3941, eliminate "Corequisite" notation, and, more importantly, establish the differences between the 3000-level course (process) and the 4000-level one (product). Dr. Jakee articulated those differences to us; we are asking that he adds them to the syllabus as to clarify the required outcomes or goals expected from the seniors completing peer-review work of their junior classmates as well as presenting their thesis/capstone project to the class.
- B. For the following items, Dr. Vázquez sought clarification from the UHC as to when course and/or program change requests from the WHC should be brought to the committee for its consideration; but should inform the Chair of the UHC prior to UUPC meetings.
  - a. The UHC does **not** have to review the following: changes to course descriptions; changes to prerequisites/corequisites—either adding or eliminating—, and changes to course titles.
  - b. The UHC would like to review changes to programs.
- C. The committee discussed the following course change request, no vote needed, following our recently established policy that it does not have to vote on these changes:
  - a. ARH 4930 H Special Topics in Art History

We discussed the following two change program requests form the WHC to increase the number of credits in the two concentrations directly affected by the new course proposals. Change to Fall 2020

- a. Concentration in Economics
- b. Concentration in Business

The committee will also e-vote on these proposals since their approval is contingent on the vote of the revision of ECO 4943.

- 2) College of Science and College of Nursing need a new representative for next year.
- **3) URC** (Donna Chamely-Wiik) shared that 5-year reviews of RI-designated courses will begin the following year. To that effect, the URC is proposing a plan to establish the procedures and policies. Our committee asked what would be the consequences if the suggestions for maintaining that designation are not followed and if the time to revise could be shortened from 3 to 1 year (for reviewing those courses who have failed to meet the stated research goals).