

Florida Atlantic University
University Honors Council
30 October 2020 8:30-10 am
Remote: Cisco Webex
Minutes

Meeting started at 8:33 am

Present: Allan Barsky; Fred Bloetscher; Mare Cudic; Charles Dukes; Michael Harrawood; Michael Harris; Mary Ann Leavitt; Eric Levy; Michelle Papania; Gerald Sim; Miguel Á. Vázquez

Ex-officio: Mary Ann Gosser (Chair); Ed Pratt; Donna Chamely-Wiik

Guests: James Wetterer (WHC); Debbie Johnson-Rais

Minutes of 2 October 2020 meeting were approved

1) UUPC Updates:

Approved at the UUPC's 12 October 2020 meeting: PSB 4243 H Neuroscience and Addiction (WHC)

2) New Business:

Two new course proposals from the WHC were discussed.

- ANT 2511 H Introduction to Biological Anthropology
- ANT 2511 L H Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab

The committee asked for the two items to be tabled and to be resent to the WHC faculty who proposed it with the following recommendations: to correct typos in titles (e.g., "L" added to lab; deletion of "hara"); change "applied" to "apply"; italicize title of textbook.

More importantly: to establish a more substantial "Note on Honors Distinction," and how the course syllabus (e.g., the exams as the only exercises required in this course) reflect the nature and/or objectives of an honors education at the WHC.

As for the Lab syllabus, how does the in-class assignments differ from the lecture? The themes/topics are identical.

Note: to type into the new course proposal form that the Anthropology department has been consulted.

3) Reminders:

To archive Honors in the Major Capstones: <https://fau.digital.flvc.org/fauir>

- Students should email a PDF of their honors submission to digital@fau.edu with Honors in the Major in the subject and title pages must include Student Name, Department, College and Semester and Year.
- Please see examples in Honors in the Major submissions here <https://fau.digital.flvc.org/islandora/object/fau%3Ahonorsmajor>.

Encourage colleagues to propose upper-division honors in the major programs.

If you have an honors program, make every effort to have a website and/or update existing ones.

4) QEP announcement (Dean Pratt): Questionnaires for the faculty will be sent on Monday, 2 November. Please encourage colleagues to complete it.

5) Fall 2020 meetings: all remote (via Cisco Webex): 20 November

Spring 2021 meetings (perhaps in-person): 22 January, 19 February, 19 March, 16 April

6) Adjourned at 9 am