

Members present: Eric Hanne, AL; Julia Higgs, BA; Yash Bhagwanji, ED; Hongbo Su, EG; Rachel Corr, HC; Lawrence Mello, Library; Clarene Brown-King, NU; Korey Sorge, SC; Sigal Rubin, SJ; Dan Meeroff, Dean, Undergraduate Studies; Mary Ann Gosser, University Honors Council; Donna Chamely-Wiik, Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry; Maura Flaschner, Admissions; Marie Claire DeMassi, University Registrar; Maria Jennings and Elissa Rudolph, Registrar's Office.

Guests: Shawn Backer, Criminology and Criminal Justice; Dalel Bader, University Advising Services; Randy Brooks, Biology; Sam Director, Philosophy; Seth Fallik, Criminology and Criminal Justice; James Gammack-Clark, Geosciences; Hari Kalva, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science; Liz Kennedy, University Advising Services; Robin Larson, Public Administration; Philip Lewin, Sociology; Heather Ligler, Architecture; Long Liu, Economics; Stephen Locke, Mathematics; David Menachof, ITOM; Sarah Milton, Biology; Chris Robé, Communication and Multimedia Studies; Cristobal Salinas, Educational Leadership; Precious Skinner-Osei, College of Social Work and Criminal Justice; Jennie Soberon, OURI; Debra Szabo, Provost's Office; Len Trevino, Management; Charles Yang, Finance.

The meeting, virtual as well as in-person, was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by UUPC Chair Korey Sorge.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Sorge welcomed committee members and guests. He then asked whether everyone had read the January 29, 2024, minutes and if there were any corrections and/or additions. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

II. NEW BUSINESS

1. University-Wide

Donna Chamely-Wiik, chair of the Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee (URCC), outlined the major changes to the document that describes the work of URCC. She began by noting it is the Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry's 10th anniversary this year! She shared that a recent review of FAU's research-intensive courses showed some areas of confusion, missing items and other outliers to the URCC policies. The document needed an intensive overview. One of the notable changes is research intensive courses will be reviewed every five years now, not every three years as is currently taking place. Other changes will assist faculty in identifying courses that could become research intensive and how to qualify a course for that designation. The updates also include specific course changes that now require URCC review and approval.

A discussion took place about the new requirement that 40 percent of the grade for a research-intensive course must be tied to RI assignments or projects. Dr. Chamely-Wiik explained that other institutions use 50 percent of the grade as their marker. She said the idea behind placing a specific percentage on the courses is to maintain the integrity of the research-intensive program and ensure students take research intensive courses seriously. She added that the 40 percent is not on one assignment, but on several assignments linked to research items. **The UUPC approved the revisions to the URCC document.**

RO Rep Maria Jennings presented the Annual Inactive Course Review. This annual review is mandated by the state and ensures that FAU's course inventory includes only active, relevant courses. She said that the approval process includes the college departments, the UUPC, Steering and Senate. Once all approvals are gathered, the courses are terminated in the Statewide Course Numbering System (SCNS), Banner and the University Catalog. **The UUPC approved the deletion of inactive courses on this report.**

Undergraduate Studies Dean Dan Meeroff provided an update on the upcoming General Education changes mandated by the state. The state requires that all General Education course must be aligned with one of five Gen. Ed. distribution areas, which means that FAU's Global Citizenship courses must be

realigned to one of the five areas. The university is working with the colleges and faculty to make these realignments. The changes will be presented at the next UUPC meeting.

Program Update	Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee Documentation		Change requirements and guidelines for the program	
Course Terminations	Annual Inactive Course Review			

2. Arts and Letters

General Education Courses

AL Rep Eric Hanne presented the first five courses in the table below, General Education courses for which the course descriptions will be changing according to a state mandate. Approval from the Core Curriculum Committee is included. **The UUPC approved the five course description changes.**

Architecture

Guest Heather Ligler spoke about the three ARC courses and their pre- or corequisite changes. She indicated the changes will assist students in completing their programs in a more timely manner. **The UUPC approved those changes.**

Communication and Multimedia Studies

Guest Chris Robé explained that the five course title changes from Communication and Multimedia Studies help to modernize the courses. The field is constantly changing because of technological advances, and FAU's offerings need to stay current. The program change to the B.A. in Multimedia Studies updates the courses with proposed title changes and other revisions. **The five course title changes and program change were approved by the UUPC.**

Philosophy

Guest Sam Director, Philosophy, discussed materials from his department. He said the B.A. program change is necessary to incorporate the course changes as well as a new course, all noted in the table below. This change also eliminates the Philosophy Law concentration due to low interest among students. The Philosophy minor program change updates the residency credit total and eliminates minor tracks. Four courses are having credits changed from 4 to 3 due to a peer institution review, and a new course was presented. A question was asked about how the reduction of credits in these courses affects the program. Dr. Director replied that total credits for electives are being increased to make up for those changes. **The UUPC approved all the foregoing proposals.**

Sociology

Guest Philip Lewin presented two new courses in Sociology. These elective courses will expose students to careers in Sociology. Dr. Lewin was asked if catalog changes are needed to add these courses to the program's elective table. It was noted that Sociology does not explicitly list its electives; therefore, a catalog changes is not necessary. **The UUPC approved the two new courses.**

Visual Arts/Art History

A new combined program, B.A. in Art with Art History and Studio Art concentrations to Master of Nonprofit Management (M.N.M.) was presented by Guest Robin Larson. She said the program, unique in Florida, would be ideal for Art students who decide to work in nonprofit arts organizations or museums and galleries and added that many art students choose careers with nonprofits. **The UUPC approved the program, which was also previously approved by the University Graduate Programs Committee.**

ANT 2000	Introduction to Anthropology	3	Change description	
ARH 2000	Art Appreciation	3	Change description	
ENC 1101	College Writing 1	3	Change description	
PHI 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	3	Change description	
THE 2000	Appreciation of Theatre	3	Change description	
IFP approval for the courses above				
ARC 3320	Architectural Design 5	3	Add corequisite	
ARC 3321	Architectural Design 6	3	Add prerequisite	
ARC 4326	Architectural Design 7	3	Add prerequisites	
DIG 3110	Fundamentals of Multimedia (New title: Fundamentals of Digital Media Practice)	4	Change title	
DIG 3207	Digital Video Editing (New title: Digital Film Editing)	4	Change title	
MMC 3711	Interactive Multimedia (New title: Interactive Digital Media)	4	Change title	
RTV 3229	Experimental Video Production (New title: Experimental Cinema)	4	Change title	
RTV 3531	Video Production (New title: Digital Film Production)	4	Change title	
Program Changes	BA in Multimedia Studies: Film, Video and New Media Concentration (New title: Film and Media Concentration)		Change the name of one concentration and update courses and course categories	
PHH 3280	Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy	4 (3)	Change credits	
PHH 3420	Early Modern Philosophy	4 (3)	Change credits	
PHH 4440	Late Modern Philosophy	4 (3)	Change credits	
PHI 4554	Knowledge and Reality	3	New	
PHI 4800	Aesthetics and Art Theory	4 (3)	Change credits	
Support Program Change	BA in Philosophy		Replace old courses with new, revise elective section, incorporating	

			course changes, and eliminate Philosophy Law Concentration	
Program Change	Philosophy Minor		Update residency credit total, simplify requirements, and eliminate the minor tracks	
SYG 3007	Career Paths in Sociology	3	New	
SYG 4941	Sociology Internship	3	New	
Combined Program Provost's Office Approval	BA in Art with Art History and Studio Art concentrations to Master of Nonprofit Management		New	

3. Education

ED Rep Yash Bhagwanji introduced Cristobal Salinas to discuss a new course. Guest Salinas reported that the LDR course had been inadvertently terminated a short time ago. Now the department wishes to reactivate it. **The UUPC approved the new course.**

LDR 4276	Media Literacy and Leadership	3	New	
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4. Business

Economics

BA Rep Julia Higgs introduced Guest Long Liu who addressed the two Economics courses on the agenda. He stated that the prerequisites will be changed and all other restrictions removed from both. Rep Higgs asked about some course restrictions that are noted in Banner but not in the catalog. RO Rep Jennings explained that certain course restrictions are added or removed at the section level to allow departments the flexibility to restrict certain sections for a group of students or open up sections to more students if space is available. These restrictions, such as permission of instructor or sophomore standing, are handled through course schedule changes as long as they are not in the catalog. **The UUPC approved the changes.**

Finance

Guest Charles Yang discussed two Risk Management courses. They are to have their prerequisites changed and all restrictions removed making the courses available to a wider group of students. **The UUPC approved the changes.**

Information Technology and Operations Management (ITOM)

Guest David Menachof presented the change to QMB 3600 that will have its prerequisites changed to add another calculus course to the list (MAC 2311) that already includes MAC 2233. The department has found that many students take MAC 2311 instead of MAC 2233, both appropriate choices. **The UUPC approved the change.**

International Business

A new combined program pairing a B.B.A. or B.S. with the M.S. in International Business was discussed by Guest Len Trevino. He said there has been much interest in this type of program where students take 150 credits to acquire both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree, double-counting 12 graduate credits to complete both degrees in approximately five years. **The UUPC approved the new combined program. It was noted that this program was also previously approved by the University Graduate Programs Committee.**

Health Administration

BA Rep Julia Higgs presented the remainder of the College of Business items, which included six courses with title changes and/or course description changes and a program change in the B.H.S. in Health Administration. **The UUPC approved all the Health Administration items.**

Hospitality and Tourism Management

Lastly, two changes for Hospitality and Tourism Management were presented. These involve changing the name of the Meetings and Events Management Certificate to just Events Management and the name of a course with the same title revision. **The UUPC approved the Hospitality and Tourism Management revisions.**

<u>ECO 3101</u>	Intermediate Microeconomics	3	Change prerequisites and remove all restrictions	
<u>ECO 3203</u>	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3	Change prerequisites and remove all restrictions	
<u>RMI 3011</u>	Risk Management and Insurance	3	Remove prerequisites and restrictions	
<u>RMI 4353</u>	Corporate Risk Management	3	Remove prerequisites and restrictions	
<u>QMB 3600</u>	Quantitative Methods in Administration	3	Change prerequisites	
<u>Combined Program</u> <u>Provost's Office Approval</u>	BBA/BS in International Business to MS in International Business		New	
<u>HSA 3111</u>	Health Delivery Systems	3	Change description	
<u>HSA 4110</u>	Health Care Organization and Admin. (New title: Organizational Behavior in Health Care)	3	Change title and description	
<u>HSA 4140</u>	Planning in Health Organization (New title: Strategic Management in Health Organizations)	3	Change title and description	

HSA 4170	Health Care Financial Management	3	Change description	
HSA 4423	Health Law	3	Change description	
HSA 4700	Health Research Methods (New title: Introduction to Health Research and Managerial Epidemiology)	3	Change title and description	
Program Change	BHS in Health Administration		Update course titles in curriculum tables	
HFT 3741	Meetings & Events Management (New title: Events Management)	3	Change title	
Program Change	Meetings & Events Management Certificate (New title: Events Management Certificate)		Change name of certificate	

5. Engineering and Computer Science

EG Rep Hongbo Su introduced Guest Hari Kalva to discuss the Engineering and Computer Science agenda items. **Two courses with prerequisite changes were approved by the UUPC. The rest of the items were postponed by the UUPC** because four new courses did not have complete syllabi, and this affected the program changes since those four courses were included in those program changes. A fifth course, COP 2220, is changing its content from teaching the C programming language to teaching the Python programming language. It was noted that several majors include this course in their requirements, and they were not consulted about this change. The Committee asked for those letters of support before moving forward with this course. To view the items that were postponed, refer to the [UUPC's February 26, 2024 agenda](#).

CDA 4102	Computer Architecture	3	Change prerequisites	
COP 4808	Full-Stack Web Development	3	Change prerequisites	

6. Honors College

HC Rep Rachel Corr presented one item, a course that will no longer have the WAC component. She informed the group that the Writing Across Curriculum Committee is aware of this change. **The UUPC approved the removal of the WAC designation.**

CPO 4303 Honors Approval WAC support	Honors Latin American Politics	3	Remove Writing Across Curriculum (WAC) component	
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7. Science

General Education Courses

Chair Sorge addressed 15 General Education courses, (first courses in the table below) all of which have

changes in their descriptions due to a state mandate. **The UUPC approved the description changes for these courses.**

Biology

Guest Randy Brooks discussed two new elective courses. ED Rep Bhagwanji asked about catalog change implications. Dr. Brooks replied there are no catalog changes associated with the new courses since there isn't a comprehensive list of electives in the catalog. **The UUPC approved the new courses.**

Geosciences

Guest James Gammack-Clark described all of the items from his department beginning with the termination of GLY 4200C. He said the content of this course has been moved to one of the new courses; therefore, this course is no longer needed. **The UUPC approved the course termination.**

Four new courses were introduced that are tied to the interests of new faculty members. **The new courses were approved by the UUPC.**

Four course changes, including a course level change and credit increase, were discussed. For the course changing to the 4000 level and increasing credits from 3 to 4 (GLY 3155C), Dr. Gammack-Clark explained the changes are justified because this course now involves seven days of field work a week, which as a 3-credit course does not seem appropriate. AL Rep Hanne asked if the increase in credits will have an adverse effect on timely graduation, and Dr. Gammack-Clark confirmed it will not. **The four course changes were approved by the UUPC.**

The program changes in Geosciences were necessary to reflect the new courses and course changes previously discussed. These changes also include administrative updates **All program changes were approved by the UUPC.**

<u>AST 2002</u>	Introduction to Astronomy	3	Change description	
<u>BSC 1005</u>	Life Science	3	Change description	
<u>BSC 1010</u>	Biological Principles	3	Change description	
<u>BSC 2085</u>	Anatomy and Physiology 1	3	Change description	
<u>CHM 1020C</u>	Contemporary Chemical Issues	3	Change description	
<u>CHM 2045</u>	General Chemistry 1	3	Change description	
<u>ESC 2000</u>	The Blue Planet	3	Change description	
<u>EVR 1001</u>	Environmental Science and Sustainability	3	Change description	
<u>GLY 2010C</u>	Physical Geology/Evolution of the Earth	3	Change description	
<u>MAC 1105</u>	College Algebra	3	Change description and prerequisites	
<u>MAC 2311</u>	Calculus with Analytic Geometry 1	4	Change description	
<u>PHY 2048</u>	General Physics 1	4	Change description	
<u>PHY 2053</u>	College Physics 1	4	Change description	

PSY 1012	General Psychology	3	Change description	
STA 2023	Introductory Statistics	3	Change description and prerequisites	
IFP approval for courses above				
OCB 4722	Culture of Aquatic Organisms	3	New	
PCB 4852	Genes, Neurons and Behavior	3	New	
EVR 4322	Introduction to Coastal Freshwater Resources	3	New	
GEO 4167C (GIS 4115C)	Spatial Data Analysis	3	Change prefix, course number and prerequisites	
GLY 3155C (4155C)	Geology of Florida	3 (4)	Change level and credits	
GLY 4200C	Mineralogy and Crystal Chemistry	3	Terminate	
GLY 4310C	Petrology of Igneous and Metamorphic Rocks (New title: Mineralogy and Petrology)	3	Change title, description and prerequisites	
GLY 4832C	Introduction to Hydrogeology Modeling and Aquifer Testing (New title: Groundwater Numerical Modeling)	3	Change title, description and prerequisites	
MET 3052	Atmospheric Hazards	3	New	
MET 3112	Tropical Climatology	3	New	
MET 4142	Climate Data Applications	3	New	
Program Change	Advanced Geographic Information Systems Certificate		Update recently changed course numbers	
Program Change	Geographic Information Systems Minor		Update a course number that is changing	
Program Change	BA in Geosciences		Add new courses to two concentrations replacing old courses	

<u>Program Change</u> <u>Biology Support</u> <u>Economics Support</u> <u>Physics Support</u>	BS in Geosciences		Add new courses to three concentrations replacing old courses	
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8. Social Work and Criminal Justice

SJ Rep Sigal Rubin introduced Guest Shawn Backer who discussed a change in the Honors in Criminal Justice Research program. He said the changes will bring the program in line with other Honors programs throughout the university. **The UUPC approved the changes in the honors program.**

Two programs in Social Work – the B.S.W. and a minor – were presented by Guest Precious Skinner-Osei. The B.S.W. change adds a statistics course choice to the admission requirements and the minor change adds a course to the list of electives. **The UUPC approved both program changes.**

<u>Program Change</u> <u>Honors Approval</u>	Honors in Criminal Justice Research		Revise admissions and program requirements to be more in line with other programs in the university	
<u>Program Change</u>	BSW Admission Requirements	3	Add statistics course choices to the requirements	
<u>Program Change</u>	Social Work Minor		Add one course to the electives table	

9. Admissions, Library and Nursing had no reports.

III. FINAL DISCUSSION/NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next UUPC meeting is Monday, March 25, from 10 am to noon, in SU 132 or via Zoom. Steering meeting dates: <https://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/steering-committee/> University Faculty Senate meeting dates: <https://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/calendar/>

Chair Sorge declared the meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.