 

**Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee**

**Thursday, February 11, 2021**

**Meeting Minutes**

**WebEx Meeting 12:15 pm to 1:00 pm**

**Attendees**

Members present: V. Kharlamov, E. Williams, M. DeDonno, T. Meredith, D. Meeroff, G. Macleod, C. Isgor, N. France, T. Hindle, D. Mitsova, J.Y. Park, and D. Chamely-Wiik

Others present: P. Sampedro-OURI

1. **Approve January 14, 2021 meeting minutes:**

Motion to approve N. France second by D. Mitsova

1. **RI Certificate**

Members: Dan Meeroff, Nancey France, Tricia Meredith, DCW

Chair: T. Meredith

* Updates

DCW worked on the certificate language drafting process and send it to some of the colleges (A&L, BUS, EDU, ENG, HON and SCI). SW&CJ will wait until language is finalized and NUR team will appreciate final draft

BUS – M. Escaleras and Ethlyn Williams are working with their colleagues

EDU – Reached out to their UUPC representative and ask Tricia for courses to add

ENG – D. Meeroff secured a letter of support from the Dean

HON – G. Macleod is working with the Dean and set up a meeting to review courses

SCI – set up a meeting

DCW – Reached out to Jerry Haky and he provided excellent feedback, she also spoke to Dean Pratt. Initially proposed to do it through research clusters but cannot create a certificate to a cluster did not approve. Changed to Research Exposure and Skill building

DCW drafted language for exposure and skill building and embedded to the proposal.

Tricia and Dan took lead

TM- we have been getting feedback from colleges for skill building courses and adding courses to the list

Jerry Haky suggested strong definition of skill building, equally ability as research

TM provided link to goggle doc:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1swc-uY670c11s8_PgpL5R4_XtNr-C6Ln/view?usp=sharing>

TH – We have to give the colleges the authority to select courses

Create amore comprehensive proposal, and the models from where we took best practices,

 Records on how they look up research exposure and skill building courses

Research exposure through Research and Inquiry cluster, 3 hours on skill building research methods

EW – will send email to add Micro and Macro Economics courses. Research intensive RI and DIR, presentations on the UGR Symposium, skill building courses list and definitions

DCW – Student Learning Outcomes from QEP with links to exposure and skill building levels

TH - Rubric for 6 SLO’s have columns for exposure, intensive will be useful to include in the description. DCW did a simplify version. She suggested to increase the SLO’s to maybe 4. “Every course will meet the content knowledge; we will need to cover one additional SLO”

GM- suggested to abbreviate guidelines

DCW- feel free to shortening the language

DM – recommended to keep it as it is for deans’ approval, and shortening for catalog language

The document has asterisks at the bottom to find examples.

EW - suggested to replace asterisks with numbers (1 and 2)

**Adding courses to list**

NF – asked if additional courses can be added.

DCW – Yes, if colleges wanted to add additional courses. That would be the intent of sending it to the deans and College curriculum committees.

NF – so I cand add to skill building courses?

TM – Yes, definitely add to skill building but also add to exposure as long it's an IFP course

GM – HON have different IFP courses than FAU

VK - One IFP course per college, IFP course who is research exposure

EW- Move Micro and Macro Economics to IFP for BUS

NF – asked if an RI course that is definitely skill building, will fall into RI category?

TM - asked N. France to review list of NUR courses and edited. Nancy will have to take course list to UG Program Committee. Intro to sociology SYG 1000 is really exposure?

TM - Is it an IFP course? We can add it back in to this newly generate exposure course list.

NF - was not sure and will have to review the IFP courses nursing students take within the curriculum?

TM – we had an exposure level course list before and dropped it as we tried to rely on the IFP clusters. Now, it has shifted back to a course list with an IFP focus

DM - RI and DIR are included on the intensive level

DCW - The committee has already agreed to pilot this certificate for the first year

Attendees to the symposium registered to a micro course, we could simultaneously request a cero credit course using IBS prefix to have each college registered credit for attending the symposium, we have to see if it is feasible

DM – everyone at the university will be able to get the course

**DCW – Summarizing:**

1. URCC has agreed to serve for a year to pilot the operations of this certificate to the university until it gets launch. A year from now the colleges can have this functionalized by advising
2. Nancy and JuYoung can we access your deans’?

Nancy was ok and Ju Young will wait to the finalized language

1. Maria Jennings is going to propose for us 900 Research
2. Take a look to the list of courses and send changes that you want before the end of the week for skill building and exposure level.
3. Come up with a template letter concept that is review by your college curriculum committees.

Meeroff - ENG already approved

1. **RI Fast Track**

Extension approved by UUPC 2/1/2021 DCW will take it to Sterling and Senate

**Meeting adjourned:** 1:00 pm