

Undergraduate Program Committee (UPC)

College of Arts & Letters

February 11, 2019 Meeting

Present: Jamie Cunningham (Music); Clifford Brown (Anthropology); Eric Hanne (History); Jeffrey Morton (Political Science); Kathryn Johnson (Theater and Dance); Cleavis Headley (Philosophy); Barclay Barrios (IDS and Dean's Ex-Officio); Sharon Hart (VAAH); Julieann Ulin (English); Philip Lewin (Sociology).

Minutes drafted by Philip Lewin (Sociology).

The meeting convened at 11:00 am with a quorum present.

The committee adopted the meeting agenda without modification.

The committee approved the minutes from the previous meeting and entered them into the record without modification.

The committee **approved** the course change request for ART 2752 (to 3000-level course) pending changes to course change form (minimum passing grade must be revised to "C") and changes to syllabus (incorporation of disability statement).

The committee **approved** the program change request for Political Science (removal of STA 2023 as a requirement).

The committee **approved** new course proposal -- AMH 4694: America and the Sea.

After completing its official business, the committee discussed the following items:

- Julieann Ulin informed committee members that they can now track the progress of pending requests (e.g., for new courses, course changes, and program changes) on the committee's new website (<http://fau.edu/uupc/>).
- Jamie Cunningham suggested that the committee reflect on its mission and objectives. He noted how, at present, committee members spend the bulk of their time proofing formwork and lobbying for their department's proposals in lieu of formulating curricular policy. Jeffrey Morton agreed, and suggested using meeting to generate policy ideas that could be transmitted to the general faculty. Several other committee members thought this was a good idea.
- The committee discussed its desire to create more awareness about Open Educational Resources (OER). Julieann will contact Sherry Edwards, the OER coordinator, to request an informational session for faculty in the College.
- Barclay Barrios informed the committee that the old scheduling system would soon be restored (several committee members had expressed concerns about the new Banner platform during the previous meeting).
- Julieann Ulin reminded committee members to attend Steering and Senate meetings after submitting program change requests for their departments.

The committee will reconvene on March 18th. March 11th is the deadline to submit for materials for next meeting.

April 15th will mark the committee's final meeting of the 2018-19 academic year.

The committee adjourned at 11:40 am.