

Discussion Item
UUPC Meeting of January 27, 2020

Undergraduate Studies Informational Item approved at the UUPC meeting:

Research Intensive Course Designation Process

Motion: To streamline the process of adding Research Intensive (RI) designation to existing courses that have been previously approved by the UFS without RI distinction, by recommending a list of courses from the colleges and reducing the number of steps prior to submitting to UFS. The streamlined process shall apply for Spring 2020 – Spring 2021.

Rationale:

- To increase the number of RI Designated courses offered at FAU, to launch a new “research certificate” within the colleges which would include courses that have RI Designation and DIR.
- To encourage faculty to add a research component to their courses by streamlining the RI designation process

Current process: To designate a course as RI at Florida Atlantic University, the following 7 steps are required:

1. Faculty interested in designating their course as RI must revise the course syllabus to satisfy the criteria for RI Designation as indicated in the RI manual and OURI website:
https://www.fau.edu/our/submit_RI_Course.php
2. Department: Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for department approval
3. College: Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for college approval
4. URCC: Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for URCC approval by the faculty liaisons (one per college) with a recommended in person discussion with the URCC Committee.
5. UUPC: OURI Asst. Dean/Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for UUPC approval
6. Steering: OURI Asst. Dean/Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for faculty steering committee approval
7. Senate: OURI Asst. Dean/Faculty must submit course change form/syllabus for faculty senate approval

Proposed Future Process: We propose to streamline the process by reducing the number of steps faculty and departments have to complete for a limited time.

Faculty/Department/College: The Dean of the College interested in participating in the fast-track process in collaboration with the department chair(s)/school director(s) will identify a list of courses that meet the RI designation criteria. The College Liaison/URCC representative will consult (if needed). The department chair/director will communicate to the faculty teaching the course to update syllabi and forms (same as above) and work with the Liaison to have the syllabi meet RI designation standards. The RI designation review and approval will follow the process established by each college for course change approval. (Steps 1-3)

1. Liaison/URCC: Colleges provide list and edited syllabi and appropriate course forms to the OURI College Liaison/URCC representative for review. College liaison/URCC Representative for the home college will review all course syllabi and forms and approve the RI courses as appropriate.
2. UUPC: OURI Asst. Dean/ College Liaison will submit college list and forms for UUPC approval
3. Senate: OURI Asst. Dean/ College Liaison will submit college list and forms for UFS approval

This motion is being submitted on behalf of the OURI College Liaisons and the Undergraduate Research Curriculum Committee.

College	Department	RI Designation	DIR
Arts and Letters	Anthropology		X
	<i>Architecture</i>		X
	Communication and Multimedia Studies	X	
	English	X	X
	History	X	
	Languages, Linguistics and Comparative Literature		
	Music	X	
	Philosophy		
	Political Science	X	
	<i>Public Administration</i>		X
	Sociology	X	X
	Theater and Dance		
	Visual Arts and Art History	X	X
Business	Accounting		
	Business Communications	X	
	Economics		X
	Finance		
	Health Admin		
	Hospitality and Tourism Management		
	Intl Business		
	Management		X
	Management Information Systems		
	Marketing	X	X
New CDSI	Criminology and Criminal Justice	X	X
	Social Work		X
Education	Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry		
	Exceptional Student Education		
	Educational Leadership	X	
	Teaching and Learning		
	Counselor Education		
	Communication Disorders		
Engineering and Computer Science	Civil, Environmental and Geomatics	X	X
	Computer, Electrical, Engineering and Computer Science		X
	Ocean and Mechanical		X
Honors	NA	X	X
Medicine	NA	NA	X
Nursing	NA	X	X
Science	Biological Sciences	X	X
	Chemistry and Biochemistry	X	X
	Exercise Science and Health Promotion		
	Geosciences	X	X
	Mathematics	X	X
	Physics		
	Psychology		X
	<i>Urban and Regional Planning</i>	X	X