

Members present: Will McConnell, AL; Julia Higgs, BA; Yash Bhagwanji, ED; Yan Yong, EG; Terje Hill, HC; Elizabeth Adenmosun, NU; Korey Sorge, SC; Sigal Rubin, SJ; Dan Meeroff, Undergraduate Studies; Mary Ann Gosser, Honors and Scholars Programs; Donna Chamely-Wiik, Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry (OURI); Maura Flashner, Admissions; Sipai Klein, Writing Across Curriculum; Lawrence Mello, Library; Marie Claire DeMassi, University Registrar; Maria Jennings, Registrar's Office; Salwa Warsi, Registrar's Office.

Guests: Fred Bloetscher, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science; Keven Dress, Mathematics and Statistics; Julie Earles, Provost's Office; Elizabeth Kennedy, University Advising Services; Kris Lindbeck, Jewish Studies; Evonne Rezler, Science; Stacie Rossow, Music;

The meeting, virtual as well as in-person, was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

I. ELECTION OF CHAIR, APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

After welcoming the representatives and guests, the first order of business was to elect a UUPC chair for 2026-2027. Dr. Korey Sorge expressed his interest in continuing to serve as chair and welcomed other nominations for chair. There being no other nominations, a motion was made and seconded to elect Korey Sorge to serve as chair for 2026-2027. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

Chair Sorge requested approval of the minutes from the April 27th meeting. He asked if there were any corrections and/or additions. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

Discussion

Registrar's Office Rep Maria Jennings informed the committee of the new and upcoming catalog and curriculum solution through Coursedog. The catalog portion is to be launched by the end of the month as the Catalog department has been working on transitioning the current catalog to the new system. The curriculum piece will launch in January, and training sessions will begin this fall. As of now, the current process and old forms will be in use for the remainder of the semester and then transition to using the forms and workflows in Coursedog. Chair Sorge asked if there would still be two catalogs, the current and the preliminary catalog for the next year. Rep Jennings informed the committee that we will have a future state catalog available to view, but it will no longer be redlined, and a link will be available on the Registrar's website. Business Rep Julia Higgs asked whether the catalog would be reviewed by advisors before it goes live? Rep Jennings replied that all the information going into the new catalog is exactly the same as it appears in the current catalog. She encouraged advisors and departments to review their sections once the new catalog is live.

Chair Sorge informed the committee that the AI policy on Simple Syllabus will be expanding. Dr. Julie Earles, Provost Office, stated that the new policy will better outline how AI will be used in the course. Three categories will be added to the syllabus so that professors can inform students how AI will be used as part of the course content.

II. New Business

1. University Wide

Undergraduate Studies Dean Dan Meeroff reviewed the Bachelor of Professional Studies program changes. This program is adding more course options to the professional studies core competencies list. Currently program staff have been providing overrides for courses that are allowed to count in core competencies but are not currently listed as part of the program. By adding these courses, students will have more options and no longer need overrides. **UUPC voted to forward this program change with a positive recommendation.**

Next, Dean Meerooff explained the Military Science course prerequisite and corequisite changes. These courses are removing prerequisites that are not sequential when completing the program. The lab and lecture will now be prerequisites and corequisites so that they can be taken concurrently. **UUPC voted to forward these six course changes with a positive recommendation.**

MSL 1002	Foundations of Leadership	1	New and Writing Across Curriculum
MSL 1002L	Foundations of Leadership Lab	0	Change prerequisite and corequisite
MSL 2101	Leadership and Ethics	2	Change prerequisite and corequisite
MSL 2101L	Leadership and Ethics Lab	0	Change prerequisite and corequisite
MSL 2102	Army Doctrine and Decision Making	2	Change prerequisite and corequisite
MSL 2102L	Army Doctrine and Decision Making Lab	0	Change prerequisite and corequisite
Program Change	Bachelor of Professional Studies	120	Add course options to professional studies core competencies list

2. Admissions

Maura Flaschner, Assistant Vice President for Undergraduate Admissions and Student Success, informed the committee that FAU welcomed its largest ever freshman class this fall, with 4,800 students and nearly 2,000 transfer students. In addition, she shared some details about the new housing on campus at Talon Hall, which holds 664 beds.

3. Arts and Letters

AL Rep Will McConnell introduced the new History of Archaeology course that will serve as a 4000-level elective. Ed Rep Yash Bhagwanji asked if adding this course will require a catalog change in the Anthropology elective table. Rep McConnell offered to share the question with the department and if a change is needed, a proposal will be submitted at a future meeting. **UUPC voted to forward this new course with a positive recommendation.**

The Women and Judaism course is adding the WAC designation and updating the course description to accommodate for this change. This course has been approved by the Writing Across Curriculum Committee. **UUPC voted to forward this course change with a positive recommendation.**

The Languages, Linguistics and Comparative Literature (LLCL) Department is adding a new elective course, Structure of Modern Japanese, and revising the Spanish for Healthcare Professional course. The Structure of Modern Japanese course will be an elective focusing on Japanese culture. The Spanish for Healthcare and Professional course is removing the course prerequisite and replacing it with a Spanish placement test. The committee noted that the statement “The test needs to be taken only once at FAU” could be interpreted incorrectly and students may assume they cannot retake the test if they don’t pass. RO Rep Jennings stated that other department courses use the same language and were presented at a UUPC meeting last year. After some more discussion, Chair Sorge suggested that LLCL have a representative available at the Steering and Senate meetings to address any questions that may arise due to this change. **UUPC voted to forward the new course and course**

change with a positive recommendation.

The Music department is introducing a new Hoot/Wisdom Recordings Practicum course; this course will allow students to link theory with practice as they will gain practical experience working for the on-campus record label. This will serve as an internship-type course. **UUPC voted to forward this new course with a positive recommendation.**

The Introduction to Commercial Arranging course is undergoing a level change from 2000 to 3000, increasing the credits from 2 to 3, changing the course description and prerequisites. Members of the committee noted that the syllabus does not explicitly note the justification for the level and credit changes and asked that Music provide a memorandum explaining how the coursework is increasing to justify the level and credit increases. The committee also noted that one of the prerequisites listed does not have a number attached to it. Music Guest Stacie Rossow explained that this is a new course that will be presented at next month's college committee meeting and UUPC meeting. Members of the committee suggested that Music postpone the changes for MUT 2341 and instead, present this course and the new prerequisite course together at the next meeting. **UUPC motioned to postpone this course definitely.**

Lastly, Dr. McConnell explained the two new Sociology courses. These courses were previously taught as special topics courses and now they would like to offer them permanently. The department gained support from the Political Science Department for the Law, Power and Society course as they offer a course with a similar title. The Political Science Department stated that the content differs, and they support the creation of the course. OURI Rep Donna Chamley-Wiik noted that this course would be a good candidate as a research-intensive course. Rep McConnell will share this with the department. **UUPC voted to forward these two new courses with a positive recommendation.**

The Bachelor of Arts in Sociology is being revised to remove the blanket prerequisites from the 4000-level courses and revise the program description. As of now, the department offers a few 4000-level courses two times a semester, but due to the prerequisites, many students are unable to register and take these courses. Removing the blanket prerequisites will allow for more enrollment and course options. It was noted that the research course, Sociology of Happiness, would no longer have prerequisites and since it is a capstone course, members of the committee suggested that they add some sort of prerequisite. Engineering Guest, Fred Bloetscher suggested that they add senior standing as a prerequisite. Dr. McConnell made note of this and will discuss it with the professor. He added that this program will be undergoing more changes. Chair Sorge suggested that a representative should attend the Steering and Senate meetings to explain these updates. **UUPC voted to forward this program change with a positive recommendation.**

ANT 4144	History of Archaeology	3	New
JST 4510 WAC Approval	Women and Judaism	3	Add WAC designation and change description
LIN 4109	Structure of Modern Japanese	3	New
SPN 2162	Spanish for Healthcare Professionals	3	Change prerequisites

MUS 3942	Hoot/Wisdom Recordings Practicum	2	New
MUT 2341 (MUT 3343) (Postponed)	Introduction to Commercial Arranging	2 to 3	Change credits, course number, description, and prerequisites
SYA 3331	Contemporary Social Problems	3	New
SYP 3540 Support	Law, Power and Society	3	New
Program Change	Bachelor of Arts in Sociology	120	Remove blanket requirements from 4000 level courses and update program description

4. Business

BA Rep Julia Higgs introduced a program change for the Public Health Minor and Certificate to add three Sociology courses as electives. This change received support from the Sociology Department. She also presented a new course for Marketing entitled Personal Branding, which generated positive discussion by the committee. **UUPC voted to forward these course changes with a positive recommendation.**

Program Change Support	Public Health Minor and Certificate	12	Add three Sociology courses as electives
MAR 4351	Personal Branding	3	New

5. Education

ED Rep Yash Bhagwanji introduced the two new 4 plus 1 combined programs. Both programs can be completed with 144 credits, where the students will earn a Bachelor of Early Care and Education and either a Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction or Master of Education in Special Education. Chair Sorge noted that some course titles do not match what is in the catalog and suggested they correct them for the Steering and Senate committee meetings. **UUPC voted to forward these new combined programs with a positive recommendation pending corrections.** Dr. Bhagwanji submitted the corrected paperwork following the meeting.

New Combined Program	Bachelor of Early Care and Education to Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction, Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education Concentration (B.E.C.E. to M.Ed.)	156 - 12 Shared =144	New
New Combined Program	Bachelor of Early Care and Education to Master of	156 - 12 Shared =144	New

Support	Education in Special Education, Special Education Intervention Specialist Concentration		
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6. Engineering and Computer Science

Guest Fred Bloetscher and EG Rep Yan Yong discussed the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering program changes. This program is removing and adding core courses to three tracks and correcting course credits. **UUPC voted to forward this program change with a positive recommendation.**

Program Change	Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering	120	Remove and add core courses to three tracks and fix course credits
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7. Science

Mathematics and Statistics guest Kevin Dress reviewed the Introduction to Computational Mathematics course change. The course is being revised to include MAP 2491 as a prerequisite as it emphasizes mathematical modeling and computational problem solving. The course is removing the corequisite as the content of that course is not essential to this course. **UUPC voted to forward this course change with a positive recommendation.**

MAD 2502	Introduction to Computational Mathematics	3	Change prerequisites and corequisites
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8. Honors College, Library, Nursing, and Social Work and Criminal Justice had no reports.

III. FINAL DISCUSSION/NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next UUPC meeting is Monday, October 12, from 9 to 11 a.m., in SU 132 and 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 10:34 a.m.