

University Academic Affairs Committee

Minutes

October 2nd, 2019

3:15 pm, HCC 210

Committee: Gonzalo Campos-Dintrans (chair), Rachel Graefe-Anderson, Paul Fallon, Shumona Gupta, Jane Huffman

Ex officio: Kimberly Buster-Williams, Rita Dunston, Tim O'Donnell, Nina Mikhalevsky, John Morello, Wes Hillyard

Student representative: Aneesa Noor

Present: Gonzalo Campos-Dintrans (chair), Rachel Graefe-Anderson, Paul Fallon, Shumona Gupta

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1. Review of co-enrollment agreements with Germanna Community College:
 - a. Co-Enrollment Agreement
 - b. Direct Transfer Articulation Agreement (BLS)
 - c. Bachelor of Science in Nursing Completion Program Concurrent Agreement

Tim O'Donnell had previously provided three co-enrollment agreements between Germanna Community College and UMW. During the meeting, we made minor corrections, and suggested revisions. Among the questions arisen and the suggested changes, we discussed why we moved from 63 to 90 credits for eligibility, and as it turns out, this rarely happens, and that when it does, it is usually either students who come with credit from the military, or students from abroad. We also proposed changing the expectation for agreements revision from "contract will be reviewed every 3/5 years" to "as needed". As for the nursing co-enrollment agreement, Tim will gather more information from the director of the nursing program (e.g., how many students do the nursing co-enrollment). The updated agreements are attached in three separate files.

2. Open Educational Resources and review of 23.1-1308 of the Code of Virginia (textbook sales and bookstores)

We discussed 23.1-1308 and how it can impact our student population, course enrollments and curriculum. The Registrar has been moving in the direction of students being able to identify no cost courses when they register for courses, and have been working with the bookstore as well. A pending issue is the possibility that a course with different sections might have only some sections being no-cost, we discussed that this is an issue for each Department. Another pending issue is the definition of low-cost textbooks. Steven Greenlaw from the Open UMW group will likely send us a draft with what they find to be a low-cost textbooks course.

3. Charge from the UFOC

The day before the meeting we received a message from the UFOC asking us to respond to their recommendations/feedback to improve faculty governance. We briefly discussed them and agreed to continue the discussion in our next November meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33pm.