

Minutes

University Academic Affairs Committee (Regular Meeting)

September 23, 2024, 3:00pm

Online (Zoom)

In attendance:

Theresa Grana (CAS), Alex Honold (Secretary, COE), Jennifer Magee (CAS), John Marsh (COB), Xin-Wen Wu (Chair, CAS),

Ex Officio: Rita Dunston (Registrar), Wes Hillyard (Dean for Academic Success and Integrity), Debra Schleef (Associate Provost for Institutional Analysis and Effectiveness), Jodie Hayob-Matzke (CAS)

1. Call to Order: 3:03
2. Meeting Minutes
 - a. Previously approved
3. Old Business
4. New Business
 - a. Discussion of Motion on Double Majors. Details are in Appendix A.
 - i. Suggested that it is a positive change to think in number of courses rather than number of credits. Makes double majoring easier. Makes major overlap rule more consistent with rules about minor-major overlap (which is also based on courses).
 - ii. It was clarified that no change is needed for minors
 - iii. Motion vote: 5 in favor; 0 oppose
 - b. Discussion of a request from UAAC to UFC in 2019-2020: Account for institutional knowledge by adding a requirement for one member to be a full professor or senior lecturer.
 - i. Clarification that the requirement is for the Academic Affairs Committee
 - ii. Suggestion that a non-member with greater experience/knowledge could be called into meeting when needed, but doesn't have to sit on the committee.
 - iii. Question about whether a full professor and senior lecture equal same amount of institutional knowledge (as one can become a senior lecturer in five years, but an associate professor may never rise to full professor).

- c. Discussion of replacement of Associate Provost for Academic Engagement and Student Success. Provost Tim O'Donnell was previously Associate Provost for Academic Engagement and Student Success.
 - i. There was doubt about whether the position will be filled in near future.
 - ii. It may not be useful to discuss this issue until we find out what administration decides to do with the role.
 - iii. May need to go to UFC and communicate that the role no longer exists.
 - d. Discussion of updating the website of UAAC:
 - i. Need to update personnel and meeting time
 - ii. Chair will send email to UFC to see about updating website
 - e. Discussion student members of the committee
 - i. Discussed adding student members to the committee in the future.
5. Announcements: Chair will reach out to plan next meeting
6. Adjournment: 3:45

Appendix A

Majors

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science Major Program Requirements

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New language proposed (deletions in strikethrough, additions in red font):

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