

University Curriculum Committee Minutes
Friday, February 14, 2025 via Zoom

Participants: Dawn Bowen (CAS), Teresa Coffman (COE), Lance Gentry (COB), Davis Oldham (UFC, substituting for Jonathan Levin), Rita Dunston (Registrar's Office), and Kevin Caffrey (Registrar's Office) along with guest Janet Atarhi-Dugan (Nursing).

Dawn called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

Janet gave the UCC some background on the requests for the new master programs. There is large demand for these programs and Germanna asked UMW to create them. There are potential grants to help pay for this, but these are not guaranteed. Therefore, money was requested from the state. \$700,000 will probably be funded through the state in the first year, along with \$500,000 the second year. After that, tuition should pay for the program. Davis shared that this was reinforced at a recent meeting he attended about the upcoming state budget. He also pointed out the chief medical officer of Mary Washington Healthcare is on the UMW board, and is a source of support for these programs. While all new programs are risky, the committee concluded that the financial risks seem well mitigated by both the support and growing need for these programs. It will take 3-4 new faculty positions plus adjuncts to make this happen.

The voting members of the committee unanimously voted in favor of both new Nursing programs and the associated courses. Specifically:

New Nursing Program Proposals

1. Master of Science in Nursing: Nursing Education
2. Master of Science in Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner

New Nursing Course Proposals

3. NURS 520: Professional Transitions and Healthcare Advocacy
4. NURS 530: Nurse as Scholar: Evidenced-Based Practice
5. NURS 550: Population Health in a Global Society
6. NURS 560: Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan
7. NURS 580: Pharmacotherapeutics Across the Lifespan
8. NURS 590: Advanced Concepts of Health Assessment
9. NURS 605: Health Promotion and Maintenance in Advanced Practice Family Nursing
10. NURS 612: Innovations in Teaching and Learning
11. NURS 615: Family Assessment, Theory, and Practice
12. NURS 620: Curriculum Development and Analysis
13. NURS 622: Assessment and Evaluation Strategies in Nursing Education
14. NURS 630: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Primary Care Approaches for Women
15. NURS 632: Technology in Nursing Education
16. NURS 640: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Management of Acute Illnesses
17. NURS 650: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Practicum I
18. NURS 712: Nursing Educator – Practicum I in Teaching and Learning
19. NURS 714: Nursing Educator – Practicum II in Clinical Education
20. NURS 740: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Primary Care Approaches for Children

21. NURS 750: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Practicum II
22. NURS 755: Seminar - Evaluation in Nursing Education
23. NURS 760: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Management of Chronic Illness
24. NURS 770: Advanced-Practice Family Nursing: Practicum III
25. NURS 790: MSN Capstone

The committee also approved the two other new course proposals:

26. CLAS 275: Ancient Medicine & Modern Medical Terms
27. PSCI 498: Careers in Political Science & International Affairs

The committee discussed the UFC's requests (this year and last year) to eliminate the UCC. Davis pointed out that since the UCC was working, improving the curriculum approval process has not been a priority of the UFC, but they would get to it this year. The committee reviewed that if implemented, the college curriculum committee would submit their requests directly to the UFC instead of through the UCC. This would save redundant time and effort for both the faculty members of the UCC, but as well as the supporting members (e.g., the Registrar's Office already participates in all college curriculum meetings).

Dawn adjourned the meeting at 3:40 PM.

The next UCC meeting will be March 14 at 3 pm via Zoom.

These minutes were electronically approved on February 15.