UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Monday, November 29th, 2021 – 3:30 pm Meeting #10, Conducted via Zoom.

Members (those present in bold; * indicates voting member):

Jim Connors, Chair* Diane Proak* Dean Panttaja

Mark Adams* Aleksandra Hollingshead* Francesca Sammarruca

Lindsey BrownStacy Isenbarger*Steven Shook*Megan Dobson*Emad Kassem*Sanjay Sisodiya*Hanwen Dong*Renee Love*Erin James*

Kalynn Hanley* Ada Marquez Acevedo* Emilija Jovanovska*

Guests Present: Jeff Senkevich, Rebecca Frost, Trevor White, Shiyi Chen, Kathryn Blevins, Alyson Roy, Daniel Eveleth, Laura Putsche, Lori Conlon Khan, Mark Nielson, James Nagler.

- I. Chairperson Jim Connors called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.
- II. The minutes from November 15th, 2021, were approved without objection as disseminated.
- III. Announcements and Communications

NONE

IV. Old Business

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-045.1 College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: Department of Modern Languages & Cultures, course edits

Speaker: None

Discussion: CHIN 102/JAPN 101/SPAN 101 – modify descriptions. Lindsey Brown denoted that she worked with the dept. submitting this to help with the language. Steven Shook inquired about the placement exam, and why a challenge exam was not being used instead. Lindsey clarified it had to do with course enrollment and needing students to be at full time.

Previous Discussion: motion to postpone due to time and committee had questions and there is no speaker present.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 6-2

V. New Business

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-046.1 College of Agricultural & Life Sciences

Items under consideration: Margaret Ritchie School of Family & Consumer Sciences, program addition

Speaker: Shiyi Chen

Discussion: Child Development (MS) – current program has 3 distinct paths which creates confusion. This request is to break up the current program into 3 separate ones – of which this is one of them. Sanjay Sisodiya asked if the Stat dept. had been met with yet to discuss the change in demand for their classes due to the changes asked for in this proposal. Aleksandra Hollingshead denoted that by splitting the program, it will affect the numbers so should be mindful of that. Aleksandra also advised revisiting the learning outcomes for the program and to ensure the language is measurable to

students. Steven Shook denoted that comments/concerns from previous committees were concerning and if they had been addressed. Shiyi clarified that the issues had been acknowledged and steps are being taken to rectify. Dept. will partner with other depts. and other universities to help share the workload and share course content. Jim Connors denoted that more staffing for the dept. was being sought. Lindsey Brown recommended that if any classes were going to be added to the program, that it would be best to do so before this committee were to vote on it, to save time. Francesca Sammarruca inquired if the dept. has any projections on how many students will move into each new tract. Shiyi clarified with some details about how students in the dept. typically move through the program with various scenarios. Erin James inquired why this proposal is up for vote now, as it seems there is still a lot of changes that need to be made. Shiyi clarified the intent was to have a program to attract students to it. Sanjay denoted he thought the proposal was coming before the committee too soon based on the info provided, especially in the projected demand curves. Lindsey denoted that the proposal did not contain online access yet and should.

MOTION TO POSTPONE: Sanjay made a motion to postpone, Erin James 2nd it.

Outcome: Postponed, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-046.2 College of Agricultural & Life Sciences

Items under consideration: Margaret Ritchie School of Family & Consumer Sciences, course edits

Speaker: Trevor White

Discussion: see agenda for course list. Some prefix changes and name changes, pre-requisites removed, and a credit change. See agenda for details. Lindsey Brown inquired about FN 465/466 being similar causing any issues, and Trevor clarified that since they must be taken together that it should not be an issue. Lindsey also denoted that FN 376 mentions a live chat on a specific date and removing that will add flexibility. Lindsey then denoted about FN 566 and FN 591 both are listed as for the MS program, and should they be enforced? Rebecca Frost clarified that we could enforce that student must be in the major to enroll. Trevor clarified that change is wanted.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-046.3 College of Agricultural & Life Sciences

Items under consideration: Margaret Ritchie School of Family & Consumer Sciences, program addition

Speaker: Trevor White

Discussion: Nutrition Minor – no additional costs and all courses are already offered on campus.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-047.1 College of Business & Economics **Items under consideration**: College of Business & Economics, program edits

Speaker: Sanjay Sisodiya

Discussion: CBE Common Requirements – adding PHIL 103 and showing PHIL 208 as optional to avoid confusion.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-047.2 College of Business & Economics **Items under consideration**: College of Business & Economics, program addition

Speaker: Daniel Eveleth

Discussion: Business Leadership Certificate – part of an online bachelor's degree. Be open to people out in the

community.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

PROCEDURAL NOTE: UCC-22-048 (College of Education, Health & Human Sciences, dept. name change) has been pulled from the agenda by request.

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049.1 College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences

Items under consideration: College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences, course reactivation

Speaker: NONE

Discussion: ORGS 494 – see agenda for details.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049.2 College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences

Items under consideration: Lionel Hampton School of Music, course edits

Speaker: Lori Conlon Khan

Discussion: MUSH 111 – removing a pre-requisite.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049.3 College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: Lionel Hampton School of Music, program edits

Speaker: Lori Conlon Khan

Discussion: Music Education (BMUS) – recombining 2 paths that previously diverged. Lindsey Brown denoted a high credit count listed in the degree audit for their freshman year, that will increase with the change in credits. Lori denoted that the audit is only an outline and students often take classes in any order they want. Lindsey recommended discussing it further later. Sanjay Sisodiya inquired about the ensemble plan within the proposal. Lori clarified that students in the program need practice every semester and ensembles need participants.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049. College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: School of Journalism & Mass Media, program edits

Speaker: Kathryn Blevins

Discussion: Film & Television Studies (BA or BS) – name change. Jim Connors denoted that the word "studies" was not stricken out in the proposal as it should be. Lindsey Brown denoted the word "studies" also appeared in other parts of the proposal and also should be omitted.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049. College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: Department of Culture, Society & Justice, program edits

Speaker: Laura Putsche

Discussion: Anthropology (BA or BS) – see agenda for details. Sanjay Sisodiya inquired about the footnote on the proposal about "course codes". Laura clarified that it had to due with variable credit amounts, but maybe should be omitted. Jim Connors denoted that the dept. could work with the Registrar's office to clean up the text in question.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049. College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: Department of Culture, Society & Justice, program edits

Speaker: None/Laura Putsche

Discussion: Criminology (BA or BS) – see agenda for details.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049. College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences

Items under consideration: Department of History, course edits

Speaker: Alyson Roy

Discussion: HIST 270 – reconfirm gen-ed designation. Lindsey Brown denoted that changing the text from "every 3

semesters" to "varies" would add flexibility.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-049. College of Letters, Arts & Social Sciences **Items under consideration**: Department of Modern Languages & Cultures, course edits

Speaker: None/Dean Panttaja

Discussion: JAPN 102 – reconfirm gen-ed designation.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science **Items under consideration**: College of Science, course edits

Speaker: Mark Nielson

Discussion: CORS 236 – title change. Committee had issues with the use of the words "average person".

Outcome: Denied, vote: 1-9

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science **Items under consideration**: College of Science, course additions

Speaker: Mark Nielson/Renee Love

Discussion: CORS 237 – film class. Lindsey Brown denoted that the plan to launch the class in the Spring will not go live until the first week of classes, and highly recommends moving it to summer. Sanjay Sisodiya inquired about how the

course fits in the curriculum. Mark clarified the info. Erin James inquired about potential overlap of content.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science **Items under consideration**: College of Science, course additions

Speaker: Renee Love

Discussion: CORS 254 – exposing students to earth science concepts and the scientific process. Steven Shook asked about the accuracy of the course name for its content. Renee denoted the name had been through a lot of discussion and this was the dept.'s top choice.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 10-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science

Items under consideration: Department of Biological Sciences, course edits

Speaker: James Nagler

Discussion: BIOL 411 – pre-requisite changes.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science

Items under consideration: Department of Chemistry, course edits

Speaker: Mark Nielson

Discussion: CHEM 112/ CHEM 112L – correcting the credit splits between class and lab, which have changed multiple times over the years. Going from 3 & 2, to 4 & 1. Rebecca Frost denoted this change will cause issues with transfer students.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 9-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science

Items under consideration: Department of Geography & Geological Sciences, course addition

Speaker: Renee Love

Discussion: GEOL 489 – previously taught. A virtual field camp. Using the game Minecraft to help teach concepts.

Hanwen Dong inquired about the course fee. Renee clarified a portion of that is for license fees.

Outcome: Approved, vote: 9-0

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science

Items under consideration: Department of Mathematics & Statistical Science, course edits

Speaker: Mark Nielson

Discussion: MTHE 235 – pre-requisite change.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

UCC Agenda number: UCC-22-050. College of Science

Items under consideration: Department of Mathematics & Statistical Science, program edits

Speaker: Mark Nielson

Discussion: Mathematics Minor – making it online.

Outcome: Approved, no objection

VI. Additional Questions or Discussion

1. Jim Connors will be out at next meeting. Sanjay Sisodiya will be acting Pro Tem Chairperson.

2. Discussion on meeting schedule. Dec 6th is next meeting and next meeting will likely be at the end of JAN. A schedule is forthcoming.

VII. Chairperson Jim Connors closed the meeting at 4:59 pm. UCC will reconvene on Dec 6th, 2021.

Jeff Senkevich

UCC Temporary Meeting Minute Scribe