

**UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**  
2018-19 Meeting #14, February 4, 2019

**Present:** Diane Prorak, Cher Hendricks, Taylor Raney, Sanjay Sisodiya, Bert Baumgaertner, Tara Hudiburg, Dean Panttaja, Mark Nielsen, David Pimentel, Jean-Marc Gauthier, Liz Brandt, Hannah Spear, Julie Beeston

**Absent:** Jesse Smith, Irene Ogidan, Robert Heinse

**Others present:** Grace Miller, Rebecca Frost, Dwaine Hubbard, J.D. Wulfhorst, Ron Robberecht, John Crepeau

The UCC13 minutes were approved with a correction: “defunct” should be “dormant.”

**UCC-19-027 College of Natural Resources**

Bert Baumgaertner noted that he had discussed the changes with J.D. Wulfhorst and was satisfied. The curricular changes were approved.

**UCC-19-019 College of Natural Resources**

Professor Robberecht addressed committee concerns about the REM 470 Presentation Skills for Scientists course. After feedback from the College in response to committee concerns, the course was approved with “natural resources” in the title and description. Professor Robberecht proposes that the course be returned to its original version. He noted that the course was formally offered as a Special Topics and registration included students from Civil and Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Physics, Agriculture, and Natural Resources. He also noted that the use of the REM prefix is administrative, as he is housed in the College of Natural Resources and cannot propose courses on behalf of other departments. The proposal – as originally presented – was approved with one nay vote.

**UCC-19-040 College of Engineering**

John Crepeau explained that there has recently been an upsurge of interest and job offerings in the mining industry, which prompted the minor name change. Mark Nielsen noted that the College of Science supports the change.

Julie Beeston noted that GEOE 436 was removed from the curriculum, but neglected in the rationale. Crepeau noted that it was offered too irregularly to include in the course list. The proposal was approved.

**UCC-19-013d University Council on General Education**

Nielsen noted that the University of Idaho has maintained a higher standard than required by the State Board; the State Board requires seven credits and one lab, while UI requires either 8 credits with two labs or 7 credits with one lab and one integrated science course (CORS). He said: “science is learned in a lab.” Hannah Spear noted that labs support performance in the main course.

Dean Panttaja noted that colleges can continue advising students to take the labs and that Engineering and Science students will be taking the labs anyway. Brandt noted: “it’s the theatre majors he’s worried about.”

The proposal to update the credit requirements failed.

**UCC-19-013f University Council on General Education**

The proposal was approved.

**UCC-19-026b-Returned Office of the Registrar**

The committee elected to change “more than three” back to “more than two.” The proposal was approved with 2 nay votes.

**UCC-19-050 Office of the Registrar**

The committee elected to remove the language additions after “J-7-a.” The proposal was approved.

Hearing no additional questions, Chairperson Raney closed the meeting at 4:40 PM.

Grace Miller  
UCC Secretary