

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
2020-21 Meeting #18, March 22, 2021

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

Jim Connors, Chair*
Mark Adams*
Bert Baumgaertner*
Julie Beeston*
Lindsey Brown

Jean-Marc Gauthier*
Kalynn Hanley*
Aleksandra Hollingshead*
Mark Nielsen*
Dean Panttaja

Diane Prorak*
Francesca Sammaruca
Steven Shook*
Sanjay Sisodiya*
Bronte Sone*

Guests Present: John Crepeau, Rebecca Frost, Jessica Gunder

I. Chairperson Jim Connors called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm.

II. The minutes from March 1, 2021 were approved.

III. Announcements and Communications - None

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: Water Resources Credit Change for M.S. and Ph.D.

Discussion: Steven Shook asked about the discrepancy between the 24 required credits mentioned in the proposal description (not including research/thesis credits) and the total 30 required credits. The rest of the graduate programs include research credits and just state the total number of required credits. Amy Kingston said she believes the program's intention is to clarify that even if a student takes more than the minimum 6 credits of research/thesis work, the student still needs 24 credits of coursework. Bert Baumgaertner suggested that we update the proposal to add the phrase "a minimum of" before "30 credits" into the catalog language and then copy/paste that into the CIM form. Sanjay Sisodiya thinks the wording on the CIM form (rather than the actual catalog language) is what is causing confusion. Bronte Sone believes this amendment reflects the intentions of the department, though she cannot officially speak on their behalf. There was no representative present from the department.

Friendly Amendment: Add the phrase "a minimum of" before 30 credits

Outcome on Amendment: Passed unanimously

Outcome of Proposal: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: Cybersecurity M.S.

Speaker: John Crepeau

Discussion: John Crepeau explained the curriculum. Many of these courses are being added and will be considered next on the agenda.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: CYB Courses – new additions

Speaker: John Crepeau

Discussion: Amy Kingston explained that most of these are standard course numbers and would not need UCC approval to be added to the catalog. However, they are going through this process because the department has requested custom titles and descriptions for some of them.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: CS/CYB 507

Speaker: John Crepeau

Discussion: The Computer Science course already exists. They are tweaking the course to include Research Methods for both Computer Science and Cybersecurity. Lindsey Brown asked whether this meets the requirements for cross-listed courses that were approved last year at UCC. John Crepeau said there are shared resources. Both degree programs reside in the Computer Science department and faculty from that department will work with courses for both programs.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: CS/CYB 536

Speaker: John Crepeau

Discussion: This includes a title change and a slight update to the course description, as well as the cross-list with the new CYB course.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: CS 447/547 and CYB 420/520

Speaker:

Discussion: This includes a title change and update to the course description.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: LAW 911, LAW 990

Speaker: Jessica Gunder

Discussion: These are not being taught this year, but with faculty turnover, they anticipate offering them in the future. The College of Law's curriculum committee voted to bring them back into active status.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: Community Standards Catalog Language

Speaker: Lindsey Brown

Discussion: When we implemented preferred names in Banner, it went into operation quickly. This change follows up by adding some policies to the catalog regarding preferred names.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: New Saint Andrews Course Articulations

Speaker: Rebecca Frost

Discussion: Due to the proximity of NSA and U of I, we get several transfer students each year. Because NSA is not accredited, each course has to be considered by the departments to determine whether it will count for transfer credit. Rather than do that course-by-course, we send out the entire list of NSA courses before each catalog year begins. This list reflects how those courses will transfer for the 2021-22 catalog year.

Outcome: Passed unanimously

UCC Agenda number:

Items under consideration: Dormant/Inactive Lists

Speaker: Amy Kingston

Discussion: This is begin postponed until next week because there are still requests coming in from departments to remove courses from the lists.

Outcome: Tabled until next week

VI. Additional Questions or Discussion

Next week will be our final meeting for this cycle.

VII. Chairperson Jim Connors closed the meeting at 3:56 pm. UCC will reconvene on Monday, March 29, 2021.

Amy Kingston
UCC Secretary