

**UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**  
2021-22 Meeting #2, September 27, 2021

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

**Jim Connors**, Chair\*  
**Mark Adams**\*  
**Lindsey Brown**  
Megan Dobson\*  
**Hanwen Dong**\*  
**Kalynn Hanley**\*

**Aleksandra Hollingshead**\*  
**Stacy Isenbarger**\*  
**Erin James**\*  
**Emad Kassem**\*  
**Renee Love**\*  
Ada Marquez Acevedo\*

**Dean Panttaja**  
**Francesca Sammarruca**  
**Steven Shook**\*  
**Sanjay Sisodiya**\*

**Guests Present:** Traci Craig, Rebecca Frost, Leonard Garrison, Emilija Jovanovska, Alyson Roy, Steve Stubbs

I. Chairperson Jim Connors called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm.

II. The minutes from September 20, 2021 were approved.

III. Announcements and Communications

- Jeff Senkevich, Admin Financial Specialist in the Office of the Registrar, will be taking minutes at future meetings until the Academic Publications Editor position is filled.

IV. Old Business

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-004

**Items under consideration:** LAW 927

**Speaker:** Geoff Heeren

**Discussion:** Last week, there were questions about the difference between taking the course for two or three credits. Geoff Heeren replied that the decision would be made by the professor each semester based on the teaching resources available. It would not be variable for each student. Jim Connors asked whether that is allowed per university policy. Lindsey Brown replied that it generally happens with standard course numbers. Rebecca Frost indicated that it has been allowed in the past.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-004

**Items under consideration:** LAW 973

**Speaker:** Geoff Heeren

**Discussion:** There were questions about the name and why the roman numeral II was included. The faculty conceded that it was not an ideal name choice and has renamed the course "Field Placement Independent Study."

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-004

**Items under consideration:** LAW 975

**Speaker:** Geoff Heeren

**Discussion:** There were concerns about this course name. The director of field study placement confirmed that this name is intentional. LAW 973 would not necessarily involve public service, but LAW 975 will always involve public service. Jim Connors would like to reverse the order of the title phrasing so it matches LAW 973.

**Friendly Amendment:** Change course title to “Field Placement Public Service”

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-004

**Items under consideration:** LAW 854

**Speaker:** Geoff Heeren

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-004

**Items under consideration:** Law J.D.

**Speaker:** Geoff Heeren

**Discussion:** There are a variety of changes here, including adding the new courses. They are streamlining from three tracks to two. They are also adjusting electives to better reflect the college’s teaching resources.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

#### V. New Business

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-005

**Items under consideration:** Leadership and Counseling name change

**Outcome:** Proposal withdrawn by department – planned for future October agenda

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** CLASS B.S. Degree Requirements Change

**Speaker:** Traci Craig

**Discussion:** Right now, a minor can count towards a B.S. requirement. They have always allowed a second major to count as well, but that was not reflected in the policy. This will correct that issue.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** ENGL 525

**Speaker:** Erin James

**Discussion:** This reflects faculty specialization in the department. This topic has already been taught three times as a special topic. Lindsey Brown asked if they want to make this subtitleable so individual topics would be reflected on transcripts. Erin James replied no, they are fine with this title.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** ENGL 391, 392, 393, 491, 492, and 492

**Speaker:** Erin James

**Discussion:** They are making all of these courses repeatable to relieve some scheduling pressures. It will allow students to double up on one genre rather than waiting for a seat in an alternate genre. Steve Shook asked a question about the English degree requirement to include a full sequence. That is not a concern here.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** HIST 271/FLEN 271

**Speaker:** Alyson Roy

**Discussion:** This course is being taught now as a special topic. They want to make it a regular catalog course to pair with HIST 270. Lindsey Brown asked if it was intended to be a General Education course. Alyson Roy said yes, and she will work with the Registrar's office to get that General Education information on the form and routed to UCGE.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** HIST 401/501

**Speaker:** Alyson Roy

**Discussion:** There have been issues with students who were unable to take the course repeatedly, although that was the department's intention. This will formally allow the course to be repeatable for up to 9 credits. Lindsey Brown asked if these should also be subtitleable. Alyson Roy replied yes, so the forms need to be updated accordingly. Sanjay Sisodiya pointed out that the phrase "Additional work required for graduate credit" is missing from the course description. Amy Kingston will add that.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** HIST 468/568

**Speaker:** Alyson Roy

**Discussion:** Sanjay Sisodiya pointed out that the phrase "Additional work required for graduate credit" is missing from the course description. The Registrar's office will add that.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** HIST 514, 522, 544

**Speaker:** Alyson Roy

**Discussion:** These are offered as field courses for graduate students. The intention is that each professor offers one in their specialty in a broad area. Essentially, each year is a different course. They would like the courses to be repeatable for this reason. They also need to be subtitleable. The Registrar's office will update the form to reflect that.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUST 283

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** The prerequisites were relevant when it was MUST 383 but are no longer needed now that it is a 200-level course.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUST 382/582, MUST 385/584, MUST 386/587

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They are just updating the prerequisite to reflect that MUST 383 is not MUST 283.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUSX 101

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They used to teach a special section for transfer students online but we found the learning outcomes were not being met. They are changing the description and no longer offering this online. Stacy Isenbarger asked why there is no credit for this course. Leonard Garrison replied that it meets for the first half of the semester and there is very little homework, so it does not meet the university definition of one credit hour. Stacy replied that students are getting credit hours for movement science classes doing things like ab workouts. She believes this experience is valuable and should warrant some type of credit. Leonard replied that it does not introduce any academic material or knowledge that students can build on. It's a course about how to be a successful college student. Sanjay Sisodiya remembers similar courses in other departments that do award credit hours. Leonard is concerned that awarding credit for this class will add credits to their degrees, which are already very full.

**Outcome:** Passed (7 to 5)

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUSC 480, 481

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They no longer offer the degree and the final students have finished, so there is no reason for this course to exist.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUSH 456

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They have never offered the undergraduate version of this course and the instructor does not want undergraduate students in the course. The accrediting agency is also interested in having more courses that are exclusively graduate-level.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** MUSH 480, 481

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** Again, these courses are associated with a degree that has been eliminated. The last student is finishing this year, so there is no reason for these courses.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** Music Undergraduate Requirements

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They have had a general ensemble requirement for all music majors, plus specific ensemble requirements. In some cases, these requirements conflicted, and they were often hard to track. Degree Audit ran into issues. This proposal will simplify the ensemble requirements. Lindsey Brown asked about "study in residence." Does that refer to U of I or to in-person versus online? Leonard Garrison replied that it cannot apply only to U of I since there are transfer students. The language might need refining. The statement is intended to exclude semesters when Music: Business students are doing off-campus internships or semesters when Music: Education students are doing student teaching off campus.

**Outcome:** Postponed for a future meeting

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** Music: Business B.Mus.

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They are simplifying the music history offerings and removing the ensemble requirements since they are being included in the general Undergraduate Requirements.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** Music: Composition B.Mus.

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** They are removing the specific ensemble requirements since they are being included in the general Undergraduate Requirements.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** Music: Performance B.Mus.

**Speaker:** Leonard Garrison

**Discussion:** Same as previous.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-006

**Items under consideration:** Catalog Regulation J-3-f

**Speaker:** Lindsey Brown

**Discussion:** This would be retroactive to summer 2020. It passed UCGE via email vote during that curriculum cycle, but it was not included on the list that UCC passed that year.

**Outcome:** Passed unanimously

VI. Additional Questions or Discussion

- This was Amy Kingston's last meeting. She will still be on campus with Office of Research and Economic Development.

VII. Chairperson Jim Connors closed the meeting at 4:36 pm. UCC will reconvene on Monday, October 4, 2021.

Amy Kingston  
UCC Secretary