

**UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**  
Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – 3:30 pm  
Meeting #12, Conducted via Zoom.

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

**Jim Connors, Chair\***  
**Jerry Long \***  
Lindsey Brown  
**Kalynn Hanley\***  
**Hanwen Dong\***  
**Taylor Raney\***

**Stacy Isenbarger\***  
**Emad Kassem\***  
**Renee Love\***  
Ada Marquez Acevedo\*  
Dean Panttaja  
**Francesca Sammaruca**

**Steven Shook\***  
**Sanjay Sisodiya\***  
**Erin James\***  
**Emilija Jovanovska\***

**Guests Present:** David Barnes, Jeff Senkevich, Rebecca Frost, Steven Stubbs, George Tanner, Hirotachi Abo, Marlane Martonick, Whitney Vincent, Elizabeth Scott, Gregory Turner-Rahman, Daniel Conte de Leon.

I. Chairperson Jim Connors called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

II. The minutes from December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, were **approved** without objection as disseminated.

III. Announcements and Communications

Member Changes:

Mark Adams is being replaced by Jerry Long

Megan Dobson is being replaced by Kalynn Hanley

Aleksandra Hollingshead is being replaced by Taylor Raney

IV. Old Business

NONE

V. New Business

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-055.1 College of Art & Architecture

**Items under consideration:** College of Art & Architecture, program edits

**Speaker:** NONE

**Discussion:** Architecture (BSARCH) – See agenda for details. Change in credits from 120 to 123 to meet degree requirements. Lindsey Brown inquired about the additional credits coming from an open elective. Stacy Isenbarger clarified that the 120 credits covered required material and that the extra credits are a part of accreditation requirements. Taylor Raney highlighted that the rationale for the proposed edit states that the credits are being changed to fit better into the combined BSARCH and MSARCH degree path. Lindsey Brown voiced concern over what this change means for those not continuing to MSARCH. Stacy Isenbarger replied that most students continue through the program.

**Outcome:** **Approved, vote: 10-0**

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-055.2 College of Art & Architecture

**Items under consideration:** College of Art & Architecture, program edits

**Speaker:** NONE

**Discussion:** Architecture (MARCH) – See agenda for details. Course description is being rewritten to clarify the number of credits and requirements for graduation.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 11-0

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-055.3 College of Art & Architecture

**Items under consideration:** College of Art & Architecture, program edits

**Speaker:** Elizabeth Scott

**Discussion:** Landscape Architecture (MLA) – This item was brought before the committee in the Fall but was sent back for revisions regarding the way the degree plan was presented. The program has been restructured to present students with two clearly stated pathways for the available emphases.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 11-0

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-055.4 College of Art & Architecture

**Items under consideration:** College of Art & Architecture, course edits

**Speaker:** Gregory Turner-Rahman

**Discussion:** IAD 443 – This change was going through to meet the general education diversity course requirements. Rebecca Frost added that this course edit did not need to go through UCC review.

TEXT EDIT: change “farming” to “framing”

**Outcome:** NO ACTION REQUIRED

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**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-056.1 College of Business & Economics

**Items under consideration:** Department of Business, program addition

**Speaker:** George Tanner

**Discussion:** Entrepreneurship Minor – 18 credit minor being created with 10 new courses that have already been approved. Addition helps the university develop distinct entrepreneurship program. Lindsey Brown inquired about the enforcement of participation in national and regional competitions mentioned within the proposal. George Tanner clarified that the competitions aren’t required but encouraged.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 11-0

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**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-057.1 College of Engineering

**Items under consideration:** Department of Computer Science, program edits

**Speaker:** Daniel Conte de Leon

**Discussion:** Computer Science (MS) – See agenda for details. Proposal to use CS 599 Non-thesis Master’s Research or CS 580 Graduate Project for minimum of 3 and maximum of 6 non-thesis research credits, add CS 507 as a required course, and add the Idaho Falls campus as a geographical area of availability as it has already been offered there for several years. Additionally, the proposal indicates online availability for the full graduate program.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 11-0

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-057.2 College of Engineering

**Items under consideration:** Department of Computer Science, program edits

**Speaker:** Daniel Conte de Leon

**Discussion:** Computer Science (PHD) – See agenda for detail. Proposal to add CS 507 as a required course as well as make minor changes to the wording and appearance of the degree page within the course catalog. Additionally, this proposal indicates the Idaho Falls campus as a geographical area of availability as the program has already been offered there for several years.

**Outcome:** Approved, no objection

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**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-058.1 College of Natural Resources

**Items under consideration:** Department of Forest, Rangeland and Fire Science, program addition

**Speaker:** Steven Shook

**Discussion:** Forest Nursery Management and Technology (AS)/ Forest Operations and Technology (AS)/ Wildland Fuel and Fire Technology (AS) – Steven Shook stated that all three proposed program additions are the same and were in front of the committee last fall with the only difference now being additional general education requirements. Lindsey Brown inquired about the total number of credits for these programs. Steven Shook stated that Idaho State has associate degrees with credits within the 80s-90s range. He continued that, as two of the programs require summer and winter courses, students should still be able to finish those within two years but the third will last longer.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 11-0

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PROCEDURAL NOTE: UCC-22-059 (College of Science, Department of Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, program edits) has been postponed in the agenda.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-059.1 College of Science

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

**Speaker:** Hirotachi Abo

**Discussion:** Statistics Academic Certificate – Proposal to give the existing Statistics Academic Certificate program official online status. Many of the required courses are already available online and a large portion of past students have been distance learners.

**Outcome:** Approved, no objection

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**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-060.1 WWAMI

**Items under consideration:** WWAMI, department additions

**Speaker:** Marlane Martonick

**Discussion:** Department of Medical Education/ Department of Medical Research/ Department of Clinical Medicine – Proposal to officially establish three new departments. As the structures are already in place and only in need of titles, this will be at no cost. Jim Connors asked about the heads of the new departments. Marlane Martonick clarified that three associate deans already exist and will be made the heads of their respective departments. Lindsey Brown inquired about how this change will affect the curriculum and reporting within each department. Marlane Martonick stated that these changes are only structural and being made in to fit the curriculum better within the U of I system. Steven Shook asked if this would influence the CIP codes within the program. Marlane Martonick responded that these changes will not alter cost within the program.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 10-0

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**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-061. Office of the Registrar

**Items under consideration:** Office of the Registrar, Calendar addition

**Speaker:** Lindsey Brown

**Discussion:** Addition to the Academic Calendars – Addition of Juneteenth to the academic calendar.

**Outcome:** Approved, no objection

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PROCEDURAL NOTE: UCC-22-059 (College of Science, Department of Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, program edits) has been added back into the agenda.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-22-059.2 College of Science

**Items under consideration:** Department of Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, program edits

**Speaker:** Renee Love

**Discussion:** Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (MS)/ Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (PHD) – Removal of GRE scores from the programs. Jerry Long inquired about the proposed changes to remove limits on workshop credits and clarify requirements for interdisciplinary diversity among depth courses. Jim Connors expanded by highlighting that these changes were mentioned under the rationale.

RECOMENDATION- work with Registrar to add course numbers to the program pages.

**Outcome:** Approved, vote: 10-1

#### VI. Additional Questions or Discussion

New Employee – David Barnes, will be joining from 1/24/22 and on.

VII. Chairperson Jim Connors closed the meeting at 4:16 pm. UCC will reconvene on Jan 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.

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