

## UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Meeting #11, January 30, 2023

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

**Steve Shook, Chair\***

Lindsey Brown

**Stacey Doumit\***

**Hanwen Dong\***

Gwen Gorzelsky

Hector Guerrero\*

**Kalynn Hanley\***

Georgia Harrison\*

**Kyle Howerton\***

**Stacy Isenbarger\***

Emad Kassem\*

**Jerry Long\***

**Renee Love\***

**Jeff Bailey\***

Dean Panttaja

**David Paul\***

**Francesca Sammarruca**

Jared Sherman\*

**Guests Present:** Rebecca Frost, Mark Nielsen, Dale Graden, Annette Folwell, Alistair Smith, Bob Borrelli, Laura Holyoke

I. Chairperson Steve Shook called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

II. Announcements and Communications

III. The minutes from the January 23, 2023 meeting were approved.

IV. New Business

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-052

**Items under consideration:** Edit Accountancy (MACCT)

**Speaker:** None present

**Discussion:** It was unclear whether two of the courses, ACCT 511 and 512, should be listed, if they should be listed at all, under the curriculum section.

**Outcome:** Postponed until someone from Accounting was available to discuss the program edits.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-053

**Items under consideration:** Reactivate CE 493.

**Speaker:** None present

**Discussion:** The Committee felt the course description didn't make sense. They also felt the last sentence in the course description provided more detail than necessary. The new course description they came up with is "This course focuses on professional and leadership skills, including career pathways, oral and written communication, participatory methods, ethics, and sustainability."

**Outcome:** Amended by updating the course description with verbiage outlined above and approved.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-053

**Items under consideration:** Add CS 355

**Speaker:** None present

**Discussion:** A lengthy discussion about where the course would be offered in person took place. The committee was unsure what the intent was.

Lindsey Brown asked why this course was an upper-level course, but was had “Intro to” in its title. Stacy Doumit commented that the department had several other 300 level courses listed with “Intro to” in the title.

The learning outcomes summarization included a statement about how students would present at an educational event. David Paul asked, “how would a distance education student do this?” The proposal indicates that a student can complete the course via distance education.

Stacy Isenbarger recommended postponing this until someone could address questions posed by the committee.

**Outcome:** Postponed until someone who could answer questions about the proposal was present

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-053

**Items under consideration:** Edit Nuclear Decommissioning and Used Fuel Management Academic Certificate

**Speaker:** Bob Borrelli

**Discussion:** Steve Shook noted that this was a proposal considered by the committee in the Fall. It was postponed because there was uncertainty whether NE 514 or NE 516 was to be the course added to the curriculum. The updated proposal now indicates that NE 514 is the course being added. Bob Borrelli confirmed that this is correct.

Steve also commented that the proposal indicates the program could be offered 100% online. Bob indicated that it would only be offered online. Jerry Long stated that the proposal would need to be updated to remove Idaho Falls as an in-person teaching location.

**Outcome:** Amended to remove reference to Idaho Falls as an in-person teaching location and approved.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-054

**Items under consideration:** Add Climate Change and Solutions (BS)

**Speaker:** Alistair Smith

**Discussion:** Alistair: this program was proposed in response to funding provided by the Biden Administration. Department met to discuss. Environmental Science was included in the conversations because they wanted to prevent overlap.

Steve asked about curriculum on the long form. Alistair noted that there are changes to the long form and he would provide them to Ted Unzicker for the updates.

Steve also asked about question 8 of the long form. The form indicates that this is a BS in Climate Science which doesn't match the title in the CIM proposal. Alistair confirmed that the title on the CIM proposal was correct.

Francesca Sammarruca asked Alistair about how only 50% of the program could be offered via distance. Alistair replied that 78% can be done online. They are still working on making other courses online.

**Outcome:** Amended to update curriculum and program title on the long form and approved.

**UCC Agenda number:** UCC-23-055

**Items under consideration:** Edit Adult Organizational Learning and Leadership (MS)

**Speaker:** Laura Holyoke

**Discussion:** Steve Shook mentioned that in the current catalog, nothing is listed under catalog and asked Laura if the purpose of the proposal was to add the information to the catalog. Laura confirmed this. He further asked if there was a change to make this an online only degree. Laura stated that this was not really a change because they have been offering the program online only for several years.

Steve asked why there wasn't any curriculum in the catalog in the first place. Rebecca Frost stated that half of graduate degrees are listed this way and we are working to get this updated since the VA has a requirement to see the curriculum requirements listed in the catalog.

**Outcome:** Approved.

V. Additional Questions or Discussion - None

VI. Chairperson Steve Shook closed the meeting at 4:05 pm.

Ted Unzicker  
UCC Secretary