

MINUTES
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
APRIL 25, 2022
VIA ZOOM, 3:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by S. Corcoran, Chair. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

PRESENT: S. Corcoran (Chair); P. Deck; A. Dubner; M. Pleimling for R. Fricker; S. Sumner for A. Grant; H. Gumbert; R. Holloway; A. Johnson; M. Kimbrell; G. Novack; J. Sible; D. Stauffer; S. Tatum; K. Thompson; K. Tran; C. Wood

ABSENT: K. Albright; A. Council; D. Givens; K. Edgar; K. Goynes; L. Khansa; L. Learman; L. McClaskey; K. Redican; K. Swaby; A. Villar

VISITORS: G. Costello; J. Espinoza; R. Pitcher; B. Smith; R. Sparks

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES

S. Corcoran announced that the April 11, 2022 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar's website:

https://www.registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar_vt_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2021-2022/4-11/cusp_minutes_4_11_22.pdf

REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Support Committee

P. Deck presented the March 7, 2022 minutes of the Academic Support Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the March 7, 2022 minutes of the Academic Support Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

Academic Policies Committee

No report.

Athletics Committee

No report.

Commencement Committee

No report.

Honor Council

No report.

Library Committee

No report.

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

S. Corcoran presented on behalf of K. Redican the report of the April 8, 2022 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 8, 2022 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

<p style="text-align: center;">REPORT UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE APRIL 8, 2022 2:00-4:00PM VIA ZOOM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">FOR “FIRST AND SECOND READING” UNANIMOUS APPROVAL</p>
<p>COURSES</p>
<p>New:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Fall 2022</u></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">College of Architecture and Urban Studies</p>

CAUS 1204: Thinking Globally (CM-7470)

CAUS 1214: Acting Locally (CM-7471)

College of Engineering

ECE 4184: Applied Quantum Mechanics for Engineers (CM-7135)

DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS

Major Name:

New:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Establishment of New Major Name: Environmental Data Science (EDS) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation (BSFRC), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023; first term and year to enroll: Summer 2022, first term and year to graduate: Spring 2023 (CM-7010)

Discontinue:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Discontinue Major Name: Environmental Informatics (EI) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation (BSFRC); last term and year to enroll: Spring 2022, last term and year to graduate: Fall 2027 (CM-7010)

Major:

Revised:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Engineering

Revised Major: Civil Engineering (CE) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (BSCE), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7221)

Revised Major: Construction Engineering and Management (CEM) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering and Management (BSCEM), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7302)

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Revised Major: History (HIST) under Degree: Bachelor of Arts (BA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7408)

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Revised Major: Environmental Resource Management (ERM) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation (BSFRC), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7298)

Revised Major: Environmental Conservation and Society (ECS) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation (BSFRC), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7299)

Revised Major: Forestry (FORS) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation (BSFRC), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7300)

College of Science

Revised Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7252)

Revised Major: Systems Biology (SYSB) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Systems Biology (BSSYS), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM- 7281)

Major Concentration/Option Name:

New:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

Pamplin College of Business

Establishment of New Major Concentration/Option Name: Financial Risk Management (FNRM) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Business in Finance (BSBUS/BSBUF), Major: Finance (FIN), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023; first term and year to enroll: Summer 2022, first term and year to graduate: Winter 2023 (CM-7462)

Discontinue:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

Pamplin College of Business

Discontinue Major Concentration/Option Name: Risk Management & Banking (FRMB) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Business in Finance (BSBUS/BSBUF), Major: Finance (FIN); last term and year to enroll: Spring 2022, last term and year to graduate: Fall 2027 (CM-7462)

Major Concentration/Option:

Revised:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Undergraduate Research/Thesis (RSTH) under Degree: Bachelor of Arts (BA), Major: History (HIST), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7409)

College of Science

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Cryptography and Cybersecurity (CMDC) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7253)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Geosciences (CMDG) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7254)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Biological Sciences (CMDDB) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7268)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Economics (CMDE) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7269)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Physics (CMDP) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (BSCMD), Major: Computational Modeling and Data Analytics (CMDA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7270)

Minor:

Revised:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

Revised Minor: Asian Studies (ASIA), effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2022-2023 (CM-7208)

University Curriculum Committee for General Education

G. Novack presented the April 6, 2022 minutes of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education. A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 6, 2022 minutes of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education.

The motion passed unanimously.

G. Novack presented the report of the April 13, 2022 Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 13, 2022 report of the Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT

PATHWAYS GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REVIEW COMMITTEE

April 13, 2022

ZOOM MEETING, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

For “First and Second Reading”

Unanimous Approval

Courses

New:

Summer 2022

Pamplin College of Business

MGT 3094: Global Entrepreneurship (Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 7338)

Fall 2022

College of Architecture and Urban Studies

IDS 1114: Play to Make (Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts G06ad, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 7311)

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

ENGL 2104 (AFST 2104): African American Linguistics (Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the U.S. G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 6713)

Revised:

Fall 2022

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

PHIL 1504: Critical Thinking (Foundational Quantitative and Computational Thinking G05f, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 7474)

Discontinued:

Effective Fall 2022

College of Architecture and Urban Studies

ART 1114 (CAUS 1114) (IDS 1114): CT + E Play to Make (CM 7311)

Minors

Revised:

Effective Catalog 2022-2023

College of Architecture and Urban Studies

Revision of Pathways Minor: Technology, Humans, & Environment (THE) CM 7284)

Revision of Pathways Minor: Visual Arts and Society (VAS) CM 7403)

College of Natural Resources and Environment

Revision of Pathways Mino: Blue Planet (BLPL) (CM 7304)

CONSTITUENT REPORTS

Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs

No report.

Staff Senate

No report.

Faculty Senate

G. Novack informed Commission members that Faculty Senate members are preparing for the anticipated changes to the shared governance structure.

Undergraduate Student Senate

No report.

Graduate and Professional Student Senate

No report.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions Report

J. Espinoza presented a report from the Office of Undergraduate Admissions which included an overview of the previous admissions cycle from 2020-2021. Topics discussed included institutional goals, enrollment demographic benchmarks, diversity efforts in recruitment, and 2022 admissions cycle numbers and trends. He also presented an update on the Admissions Appeals Committee Annual Report.

Nominations/Review of CUSP Sub-Committee Chairs and Representatives for Academic Year 2022-2023

The following individuals accepted nominations to serve as Chairs and Representatives of CUSP Sub-Committees for Academic Year 2022-2023:

- Academic Support Committee – Heather Gumbert
- Academic Policies Committee – Keith Thompson
- University Athletics Committee – Heather Gumbert
- University Commencement Committee – Monica Kimbrell
- University Curriculum Committee for General Education – Khanh Ngoc Tran

QCA vs. GPA Clarification

R. Sparks provided historical background and explanation regarding the change from QCA to GPA with the implementation of Banner in 2000. He will work with Deans and Advisors on the possibility of issuing a notification for the use of GPA as the university-wide standard.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Becki Smith
Office of the University Registrar