

MINUTES
COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES
NOVEMBER 28, 2022
3:00 PM
VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: E. Lavender-Smith (presiding); K. Albright; N. Baker; K. Goyne; H. Gumbert; R. Holloway; S. Huxtable; M. Kimbrell; V. Nguyen; G. Novack; M. Pleimling; K Redican; C. Ruktanonchai; N. Staley; S. Sumner; K. Swaby; S. Tatum; K. Thompson; K. Tran; A. Zink-Sharp

ABSENT WITH NOTICE: D. Kellenberger

ABSENT: A. Council; K. Edgar; A. Fox; A. Johnson; L. Khansa; S. Shupe; T. Southerland

GUESTS: G. Costello; E. Lener; R. Pitcher; B. Smith; R. Sparks; T. Walters

E. Lavender-Smith called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. A quorum was present.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF OR ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14, 2022

E. Lavender-Smith noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

ACCEPTANCE AND POSTING OF COMMISSION/COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES REPORTS AND/OR MINUTES

Academic Support Committee

No report.

Academic Policies Committee

No report.

Athletics Committee

No report.

Commencement Committee

M. Kimbrell presented the October 5, 2022 and November 2, 2022 minutes of the Commencement Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the October 5, 2022 and November 2, 2022 minutes of the Commencement Committee.

The motion passed unanimously..

Honor Council

No report.

Library Committee

No report.

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

C. Ruktanonchai presented on behalf of K. Redican the report of the November 11, 2022 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the November 11, 2022 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT—

NOVEMBER 11, 2022
2:00-4:00PM VIA ZOOM

FOR “FIRST AND SECOND READING”
UNANIMOUS APPROVAL

COURSES

New:

Spring 2023

Pamplin College of Business

BIT 3614: Election Security (CM-7658)

Fall 2023

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

IS 1204 (PSCI 1204): Topics in Global Dialogues (CM-7631)

College of Science

NEUR 3074: Evolutionary Neuroscience (CM-7672)

Revised:

Spring 2023

College of Engineering

BMES 3114: Needs Identification in Healthcare (CM-7647)

Fall 2023

College of Science

GEOS 3634: Natural History Collections and Curation (CM-7673)

DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS

Major Name:

New:

Effective Catalog 2023-2023

Pamplin College of Business

New Major Name: Real Estate for Commercial Properties (RELC) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Real Estate (BSRST), first term and year to enroll Summer 2023; first term and year to graduate Fall 2023, effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2023-2024 (CM-7654)

New Major Name: Real Estate for Residential Properties (RELR) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Real Estate (BSRST), first term and year to enroll Summer 2023; first term and year to graduate Fall 2023, effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2023-2024 (CM-7655)

Discontinued:

Effective Catalog 2023-2023

Pamplin College of Business

Major name: Commercial Development and Investment (CDI), Under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Real Estate (BSRST), last term and year to enroll Spring 2023; last term and year to graduate Spring 2026, effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2023-2024 (CM-7654)

Major name: Residential Development and Investment (RDI), Under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Real Estate (BSRST), last term and year to enroll Spring 2023; last term and year to graduate Spring 2026, effective for student date of entry under UG catalog 2023-2024 (CM-7655)

Minor:

Discontinued:

Effective Catalog 2023-2023

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Minor: Agricultural and Applied Economics (AAEC) effective for student data of entry under UG catalog 2023-2024, discontinued effective Fall 2023 (CM-7674)

University Curriculum Committee for General Education

K. Tran presented the minutes of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education from November 2, 2022. A motion was made and seconded to accept the November 2, 2022 minutes of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education.

The motion passed unanimously.

AP Faculty Senate

K. Swaby informed Commission members of the AP Faculty website (www.apfacultysenate.vt.edu), continued work on the bylaws and the philanthropic project Beyond Boundaries.

Staff Senate

E. Lavender-Smith presented on behalf of S. Shupe the November 17, 2022 minutes of the Staff Senate. A motion was made and seconded to accept the November 17, 2022 minutes of the Staff Senate.

The motion passed unanimously.

Faculty Senate

No report.

Undergraduate Student Senate

No report.

Graduate and Professional Student Senate

No report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Library Resources Update

T. Walters provided an overview and update of library resources which included study spaces, digital/information literacy, studios and collections. He also discussed enrollment growth recommendations relating to literacies instructional capacity and technology lending demand. E. Lener provided an overview and update assessing the use of electronic resources, COUNTER data, and open access support.

Draft Notice for Undergraduate Honor System Resolution Consideration - Discussion

Commission members discussed working in conjunction with the Academic Policies Committee regarding the drafting of policies. E. Lavender-Smith informed members that he will move forward with submission of the Draft Notice to the University Council Cabinet for review and consideration.

Draft Notice for Student-Athlete Excused Absence Resolution Consideration - Discussion

Commission members discussed concerns with the policy which included how missed classwork will be made up, the potential burden on instructors and other students, and if the policy would lead to other groups requesting to use the excused absence policy.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:18 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Becki Smith, Office of the University Registrar*