

**MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES**  
**APRIL 10, 2023**  
**3:00 PM**  
**VIA ZOOM**

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

**ABSENT WITH NOTICE:** K. Albright; D. Kellenberger

**ABSENT:** A. Council; K. Edgar; A. Fox; A. Johnson; L. Khansa; T. Southerland; A. Zink-Sharp

**GUESTS:** B. Armstrong; L. Buchanan; G. Costello; J. Espinoza; R. Pitcher; B. Smith; R. Sparks

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. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF OR ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2023**

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>).

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2022-23C Resolution to Approve New Major, Nutrition and Dietetics, in Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise, First Reading**

S. Sumner made a motion to place Resolution 2022-23C *Resolution to Approve New Major, Nutrition and Dietetics, in Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise* on the floor for first reading. The motion was seconded and carried.

E. Lavender-Smith opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2022-23C.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- S. Sumner provided background information noting that there is currently only a Dietetics option and elevating the option to a Nutrition and Dietetics major would make it more visible to students.

Hearing no further discussion, Resolution 2022-23C will be forwarded to Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, AP Faculty Senate, Graduate and Professional Student Senate, and Undergraduate Student Senate for comment. The second reading of Resolution 2022-23C will occur at the next available CUSP meeting.

**Resolution 2022-23D** *Resolution to Approve New Major, Exercise and Health Sciences, in Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise, First Reading*

S. Sumner made a motion to place Resolution 2022-23D *Resolution to Approve New Major, Exercise and Health Sciences, in Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise* on the floor for first reading. The motion was seconded and carried.

E. Lavender-Smith opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2022-23D.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- S. Sumner provided background information noting that an Exercise and Health Sciences major would help with the flexibility of students moving through the major.
- S. Sumner also noted that this new major would allow Virginia Tech to be more name competitive with peer institutions.

Hearing no further discussion, Resolution 2022-23D will be forwarded to Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, AP Faculty Senate, Graduate and Professional Student Senate, and Undergraduate Student Senate for comment. The second reading of Resolution 2022-23D will occur at the next available CUSP meeting.

**Resolution 2022-23E** *Resolution to Approve New Major, Technology Education, in Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education, CTE, First Reading*

S. Sumner made a motion to place Resolution 2022-23E *Resolution to Approve New Major, Technology Education, in Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education, CTE* on the floor for first reading. The motion was seconded and carried.

E. Lavender-Smith opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2022-23E.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- M. Kimbrell provided background information noting that this new major would align closely with licensure requirements and will help to address the teaching shortage related to technology education throughout Virginia.

Hearing no further discussion, Resolution 2022-23E will be forwarded to Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, AP Faculty Senate, Graduate and Professional Student Senate, and

Undergraduate Student Senate for comment. The second reading of Resolution 2022-23E will occur at the next available CUSP meeting.

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

**Academic Support Committee**

No report.

**Academic Policies Committee**

No report.

**Athletics Committee**

H. Gumbert informed members that the subcommittee continues to work on the missed class policy for student athletes. H. Gumbert presented the March 16, 2023 minutes of the Athletics Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the March 16, 2023 minutes of the Athletics Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**Commencement Committee**

M. Kimbrell presented the April 5, 2023 minutes of the Commencement Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the April 5, 2023 minutes of the Commencement Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**Honor Council**

No report.

**Library Committee**

S. Tatum presented the October 6, 2022 minutes of the Library Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the October 6, 2022 minutes of the Library Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

## Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

K. Redican presented the March 24, 2023 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the March 24, 2023 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**REPORT  
UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE  
MARCH 24, 2023  
2:00-4:00PM VIA ZOOM**

**FOR “FIRST AND SECOND READING”  
UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

### **COURSES**

**New:**

**Summer 2023**

**Pamplin College of Business**

BIT 3474: Data Management and Business Analytics in Python (CM- 8025)

BIT 3484: Advanced Business Analytics in Python and R (CM-8024)

BIT 2554: Linux, Shell Scripting, and Securing the OS for Business (CM-8026)

**Fall 2023**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

SPES 4114: Topics/StudyAway: Production, Culture and Social Aspects US Agriculture (CM-7761)

FST 4004: Food Science Experiential Learning Reflection (CM-7790)

**College of Engineering**

CS 4894: Special Topics in Computer Science (New) Fall 2023 (CM-7574)

**Revised:**

**Summer 2023**

## **Pamplin College of Business**

BIT 4544: Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning in BIT (CM-8031)

### **DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS**

#### **Major:**

#### **New:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

#### **College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

Establishment of New Major: Nutrition and Dietetics (NAD) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise (BSHNF), first term and year to enroll: Summer 2023, first term and year to graduate: Fall 2023 (CM-8002)

Establishment of New Major: Health and Exercise Sciences (HAES) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise (BSHNF), first term and year to enroll: Summer 2023, first term and year to graduate: Fall 2023 (CM-8003)

#### **College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Establishment of New Major: Technology Education (TCHE) under Bachelor of Science in Education in Secondary Education (BSEDS), first term and year to enroll: Summer 2023, first term and year to graduate: Spring 2026 (CM-7577)

#### **Revised:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

#### **College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Revised Major: Professional and Technical Writing (PTW) under Bachelor of Art in English (BAENG) (CM-7632)

Revised Major: Creative Writing (CW) under Bachelor of Art in English (BAENG) (CM-7636)

#### **Pamplin College of Business**

Revised Major: Major: Cybersecurity Management and Analytics (CMA) under Bachelor of Science in Business in Business Information Technology (BSBUB/BSBUS) (CM-7997)

#### **Major Concentration/Option:**

**Revised:**

**Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Food and Beverage Fermentation (FERM) under Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Food Science and Technology (FST) (CM-7842)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Food and Health (FDHL) under Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Food Science and Technology (FST) (CM-7843)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Food Business (FDBS) under Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Food Science and Technology (FST) (CM-7845)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Science (SCIE) under Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Food Science and Technology (FST) (CM-7847)

**College of Architecture, Arts, and Design**

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Music Education Instrumental (MEI) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7920)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Creative Technologies (CTLA) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7921)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Music Education Choral/General (MECG) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7922)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Performance Liberal Arts (PFLA) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7923)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Composition (MCOM) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7924)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Technology Liberal Arts (MTLA) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7925)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Performance Professional Instrumental (PPIN) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7926)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Performance Professional Vocal (PPVO) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7927)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Technical Professional (MTPR) under Bachelor of Art (BA), Major: Music (MUS) (CM-7928)

## **College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Pre-Law (PLAW) under Bachelor of Art in English (BAENG), Major: English (ENGL) (CM-7633)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Literature (LIT) under Bachelor of Art in English (BAENG), Major: English (ENGL) (CM-7634)

Revised Major Concentration/Option: Pre-Education (PEDU) under Bachelor of Art in English (BAENG), Major: English (ENGL) (CM-7635)

### **Discontinued:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

### **College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

Major Concentration/Option: Dietetics (DIET) under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise (HNFE) last term and year to enroll Spring 2023; last term and year to graduate Fall 2026, will be discontinued. (CM-8002)

Major Concentration/Option: Science of Food, Nutrition and Exercise (SFNE) under Degree: Bachelor of Science (BS), Major: Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise (HNFE) last term and year to enroll Spring 2023; last term and year to graduate Fall 2026, will be discontinued (CM-8003)

### **Minor:**

#### **New:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

### **College of Architecture, Arts, and Design**

Establishment of New Minor: Applied Music (AMUS), first term and year to enroll: Fall 2023, first term and year to graduate: Spring 2024 (CM-7908)

Establishment of New Minor: Music Production, Technology, and Composition (MPTC), first term and year to enroll: Fall 2023, first term and year to graduate: Spring 2024 (CM-7911)

### **Revised:**

#### **Effective Catalog 2023-2024**

### **College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

Revised Minor: Food Science and Technology (FST) (CM-7840)

**College of Science**

Revised Minor: Economics of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (EDEI) (CM-7859)

**University Curriculum Committee for General Education**

K. Tran presented the March 22, 2023 report of the Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the March 22, 2023 report of the Pathways General Education Curriculum Review Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**REPORT**

**PATHWAYS GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**March 22, 2023**

**ZOOM MEETING, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**For “First and Second Reading”**

**Unanimous Approval**

**Courses**

**New:**

**Fall 2023**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

ARBC 3274: War and Arab Culture (Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 7802)

HIST 2544: U.S. South: Pre-Colombian to 1865 (Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the U.S. G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 7710)

**Spring 2024**

**Pamplin College of Business**

ACIS 2024: Small Business Accounting (Advanced Quantitative and Computational Thinking G05a, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 8004)

**Revised:**

**Summer 2023**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

COMM 2014: Communication Principles of Teamwork (Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 7756)

**Discontinued:**

**Fall 2023**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

HIST 3205: U.S. South to 1900 (CM 7710)

**AP Faculty Senate**

No report.

**Staff Senate**

No report.

**Faculty Senate**

No report.

**Undergraduate Student Senate**

No report.

**Graduate and Professional Student Senate**

No report.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid Report**

B. Armstrong provided a report on Scholarships and Financial Aid which included the end of Covid relief and potential impacts, cost of attendance increase, and increased loan borrowing. She also updated members on the FAFSA Simplification Act and concerns surrounding the new changes and the impact on scholarships and financial aid going forward.

## Office of Undergraduate Admissions Report

J. Espinoza provided a report on Undergraduate Admissions which included an update on the effect of the pandemic on international enrollment, record number of applications (47,000) for first year admissions and the continued growth of Virginia Tech. He also updated members on the appeals process for the recently completed academic year which included 6 cases that were approved and one denial.

## Virginia Tech Publishing: A Brief Overview

S. Tatum informed members that the Virginia Tech Publishing: A Brief Overview presentation is available as a resource.

## **Nominations/Review of CUSP Sub-Committee Chairs and Representatives for Academic Year 2023-2024**

The following individuals accepted nominations to serve as Chairs and Representatives of CUSP Sub-Committees for Academic Year 2023-2024:

- Academic Support Committee
  - Commission will revisit at the April 24 CUSP meeting.
- Academic Policies Committee
  - Michel Pleimling
- University Athletics Committee
  - Commission will revisit at the April 24 CUSP meeting.
- University Commencement Committee
  - Monica Kimbrell
- University Curriculum Committee for General Education
  - Commission will revisit at the April 24 CUSP meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 PM.

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