

**UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MAY 3, 2019
BUILDING 1A, Room 308**

Undergraduate Committee: Seokyoung Hwang, Shaibal Mitra, Rupal Gupta, Sarah Zelikovitz (Chair), Mikhail Epshtein, Alexander Voicu, Chang Min Kim, Maria Rice Bellamy, Natalie Kimball, Christine McEvilly, Stephen Wollman, Bang Geul Han, Susan Mee, Marianne Weil, Andrew Lambert, Alexander Zaitsev, Richard Flanagan, Valkiria Duran, Russell Rosen

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Excused: Emmanuel Mbah, El Samuels, Chandan Acharya, Mayra Humphreys, Ganesh Trichur, Brandon Fridman, Susan Holak, Marcus Tye

Guests: Adrienne Paez, Paolo Cappellari, Catherine Lavender, Cynthia Scarinci, Tom Tellefsen, Constance Stafford, Barbra Teater

Date: May 3, 2019

1. The agenda for May 3rd was approved with minor changes.
2. Minor changes were suggested for the minutes. The committee approved the minutes with one abstention (Susan Mee).
3. Proposals from the Department of Social Work for:
 - a. Change in existing course: SWK 454 Social Work Field Practicum was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: SWK 455 Social Work Field Seminar I was unanimously approved.
4. Liberal Arts & Science Memorandum: Catherine Lavender, Chair of the General Education Committee discussed the Liberal Arts & Sciences Memorandum presented at the March Faculty Senate Meeting. On the floor of the senate a suggestion was made to include that courses, in an area traditionally not considered LAS, would be both a broad survey and theoretical rather than the original language of *broad survey or theoretical*. The committee agreed to keep the language of *broad survey or theoretical* that they had originally approved.
5. Compliance/Hidden Prerequisites: Catherine Lavender spoke about the resolution that was voted down by the Faculty Senate to remove COR 100 as the required course for the US Experience in its Diversity area. CUNY has notified the college that this does not comply with Pathways policy, citing that students must be able to choose freely among the courses offered within each of the Pathways areas, except in cases where degree program have received waivers to specify particular courses for each area. If COR 100 is removed as a required course there will be a significant impact on degree programs

and exasperate the hidden prerequisite issue. The UCC will be sent the Memo that was prepared by Catherine Lavender on the Impact of the removal of COR 100. In addition, CSI is still addressing the issue of hidden prerequisites for many degree programs. A hidden prerequisite is a prerequisite that is required by a major course that is not included in the degree requirements. This prerequisite automatically becomes part of the degree requirements and the credits are added to the total credits required for that major. Ralf Peetz announced that CSI is part of the first wave of a CUNY audit by the NYS Comptroller's Office. The compliance issue and the hidden prerequisite issue may have an impact on the audit findings.

6. Proposals from the Department of Computer Science for:
 - a. Topics course: CSC 5XX Special Topics in Advanced Web Development was unanimously approved.

7. Proposal from the Program in Medical Technology for:
 - a. New course: MLS 3XX Diagnostic Molecular Biology (formerly BIO/MDT 325) was approved as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - b. New course: MLS 3XX Immunology/Serology (Also BIO 442) was withdrawn as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - c. New course: MLS 3XX Urinalysis/Body Fluids was withdrawn as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - d. New course: MLS 3XX Parasitology/Mycology/Virology (formerly MDT 371, 372, and BIO 346) was withdrawn as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - e. New course: MLS 3XX Laboratory Operations and Management (formerly MDT 384) was withdrawn as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - f. New course: MLS 3XX ASCP Comprehensive Review (formerly MDT 375) was withdrawn as satisfying the LAS requirement.
 - g. Change in degree requirements: Medical Technology BS was unanimously approved.

8. Proposal from the Department of Nursing for:
 - a. Changes in degree requirements: Nursing BS was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: NRS 410 Community Health Nursing was unanimously approved.
 - c. Change in existing course: NRS 411 Leadership and Management in Nursing was unanimously approved.

9. Proposals from the Department of Biology for:
 - a. Change in existing course: BIO 213 Vertebrate Zoology was unanimously approved.
 - b. Change in existing course: BIO 215 Invertebrate Zoology and Paleontology was unanimously approved.
 - c. Change in existing course: BIO 225 Conservation Biology was unanimously approved.
 - d. Change in existing course: BIO 228 Botany was unanimously approved.
 - e. Change in existing course: BIO 230 Marine Biology was unanimously approved.
 - f. Change in existing course: BIO 272 Biometrics was unanimously approved.
 - g. Change in existing course: BIO 312 Genetics was unanimously approved.

- h. Change in existing course: BIO 322 Evolution was unanimously approved.
- i. Change in existing course: BIO 352 Cell Biology was unanimously approved.
- j. Change in existing course: BIO 360 Ecology was unanimously approved.
- k. Change in existing course: BIO 325 Diagnostic Molecular Biology was unanimously approved.
- l. Change in existing course: BIO 326 Introduction to Bioinformatics and Genomics was unanimously approved.
- m. Change in existing course: BIO 327 Molecular Biology was unanimously approved.
- n. Change in existing course: BIO 322 Advanced Physiology was unanimously approved.
- o. Change in existing course: BIO 338 Behavioral Biology was unanimously approved.
- p. Change in existing course: BIO 324 Developmental Biology was unanimously approved.
- q. Change in existing course: BIO 365 Principles of Neurobiology was unanimously approved.
- r. Change in existing course: BIO 424 Molecular Biology and Biotechnology Laboratory was unanimously approved.
- s. Change in existing course: BIO 434 Comparative Physiology was unanimously approved.
- t. Change in existing course: BIO 454 Advanced Methods in Cell Biology was unanimously approved.
- u. Change in existing course: BIO 458 Experimental Methods in Cell Biochemistry was unanimously approved.
- v. Change in existing course: BIO 460 Experimental Methods in Advanced Genetics was unanimously approved.
- w. Change in degree requirements: Biology BS and MHC Biology BS was unanimously approved.

The remainder of the proposals were tabled for the September or a future UCC meeting due to time.

10. Proposals from the Department of Marketing for:

- a. Change in existing course: BUS 250 Computers in Information Processing (postponed to the October agenda)

11. Proposal from the School of Business for:

- a. Change in existing minor: Business Data Analytics (postponed to the October agenda)

12. Proposals from the Department of Accounting and Finance for: (postponed to the October agenda)

- a. Change in existing course: ACC 121 Introduction to Accounting II
- b. Change in existing course: ACC 215 Intermediate Accounting I
- c. Change in existing course: ACC 225 Intermediate Accounting II
- d. Change in existing course: ACC 235 Government and Not-for Profit Accounting
- e. Change in existing course: ACC 241 Federal Income Taxation I
- f. Change in existing course: ACC 250 Accounting and Information Systems
- g. Change in existing course: ACC 251 Federal Income Taxation II
- h. Change in existing course: ACC 300 International Accounting
- i. Change in existing course: ACC 310 Cost Accounting I
- j. Change in existing course: ACC 315 Analysis of Financial Statements

- k. Change in existing course: ACC 318 New York State and Local Taxes
 - l. Change in existing course: ACC 414 Advanced Accounting
 - m. Change in existing course: ACC 415 CPA Problems and Current Issues
 - n. Change in existing course: ACC 422 Standards and Procedures of Financial Audits
13. Proposals from the Department of Engineering and Environmental Science for:
- a. Change in existing course: ENS 459 Applied Mechanics Laboratory
14. Proposal from the Department of History for:
- a. Change in existing degree: History BA
15. Proposal from the Department of Chemistry for:
- a. Change in existing course: CHM 250 Organic Chemistry I
 - b. Change in existing course: CHM 256 Organic Chemistry II
 - c. Change in existing degree: Chemistry BS
 - d. Change in existing degree: Biochemistry BS
 - e. Change in existing degree: Chemistry 7-12 BS
16. Proposals from the Department of Computer Science for:
- a. Change in existing course: CSC 140 (postponed to a future UCC meeting)
 - b. Change in existing course: CSC 141 (postponed to a future UCC meeting)
 - c. New course: CSC 2XX Introduction to Data Science
 - d. Change in existing degree: Computer Science BS
17. Proposals from the Department of Performing and Creative Arts for:
- a. Change in existing course: ART 225 Portrait Drawing II (postponed to the October agenda)
 - b. Change in existing course: ART 325 Portrait Drawing III (postponed to the October agenda)