

Council of Deans
11/12/2014

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:03 am, Wednesday, November 12, 2014. S. Runge presided, and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Michael Hargis, Maurice Lee, Diana Pounder, Kurt Boniecki, Jimmy Ishee, Terry Wright, Steve Addison and Laura Young. Stephanie Bellar was not present.

1. The CoD minutes of November 5, 2014 were approved with revisions by a vote of 9-0. M. Lee and K. Boniecki abstained due to not being present at the November 5th meeting.

2. Action items of the October 23, 2014 meeting of the UCA Core Council were considered. Action items were addressed as follows:

UCA Core Council recommendation to approve upper division capstone course CSD 4343 Capstone in Communication Sciences and Disorders. K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. J. Ishee seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

UCA Core Council recommendation to approve an exemption from upper division courses for students completing BS degrees in Medical Technology, Nuclear Medicine Technology and Radiography. K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. J. Ishee seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

UCA Core Council recommendation to approve upper division and capstone courses PHYS 4111 and 4211 Senior Capstone 1 and 2. K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. S. Addison seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

3. Action items of the October 21, 2014 meeting of the Undergraduate Council were considered. Action items were addressed as follows:

UCA Undergraduate Council recommendation to approve new course SOC 4325, Society Through Film. K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Lee seconded the motion. Discussion followed. K. Boniecki amended his motion to reflect the striking of Fall/Spring wording from the course description. Further discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

UCA Undergraduate Council recommendation to approve new course MIS 3335, Programming in Python, with a title change to "Programming Use in Scripting Languages." K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Hargis seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

UCA Undergraduate recommendation to approve changing MIS 4380, Business Intelligence,

from an elective course to a required course in the business analysis concentration. K. Boniecki made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Hargis seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

4. Actions items of the October 23, 2014 meeting of the UCA Graduate Council were considered. Action items were addressed as follows:

UCA Graduate Council recommendation to approve new courses MBA 5341 Quantitative Analytical Methods, 5355 Project Management and 5361 Principles of Information Security. These courses will be dual listed along with their equivalent undergraduate courses. M. Hargis made a motion to approve the recommendation. S. Addison seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

UCA Graduate Council recommendation to approve a new MBA concentration in Information Management. M. Hargis made a motion to approve the recommendation. S. Addison seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted unanimously to approve the recommendation.

5. S. Runge led a discussion on Presidential Scholars Day. Council members discussed the importance of the day and the opportunity it presents to place emphasis on high student achievement both within the Honors College and throughout all academic colleges. Discussion followed. Council members agreed that more should be done to recruit all high achieving students, including those that will not be admitted to Honors College. S. Runge will follow up with Rick Scott, Dean of the Honors College, and J. A. Williams.

6. Provost's Announcements

- a. The Director of Admissions position will soon be posted.
- b. Negotiations have been ongoing with Ellucian for the potential purchase of the "Recruiter" module in Banner. This will allow for more effective recruiting including improved online application processes. Discussion followed.
- c. SBAC new funding presentations will take place tomorrow.
- d. The next Bear Facts Day is this Saturday.
- e. The quarterly meeting between Academic Affairs and UCA Board Trustee Victor Green has been postponed.
- f. The quarterly meeting between Academic Affairs and UCA Board Trustee Brad Lacy is scheduled for November 19th.

8. Member reports

- a. J. Glenn reported that Amber Hall, Director of Institutional Research; Julia Winden Fay, Director of Student Success; Amy Baldwin, Director of University College; John Fincher, Director of Division Strategy; and Leigh Ann Denhartog, Interim Director of Admissions/Director of the Academic Advising Center, attended a faculty/staff HLC workshop on student retention. They successfully completed the workshop and won the poster competition.

- b. M. Hargis reported that the first speakers presented by the Arkansas Center for Research in Economics will be here tomorrow to speak on the effect government rules, regulations, and taxes have on the economy.
- c. M. Lee reported that the Department of Political Science received a positive report in their recent external review. He also stated that he recently attended a Deans Conference in San Antonio. Additionally, the 2014 Humanities Fair will be held tomorrow, November 13, 2014, in Brewer Hegeman Conference Center.
- d. D. Pounder stated that the College of Education has been attempting to broaden the perspective of tenure and tenure-track faculty. At least a half dozen faculty in the college have had research articles and presentations accepted recently. She also stated that the College Student Personnel Services and Administration graduate program will have one student graduate this semester. The student is a student worker in the athletic department and has applied for a job with the St. Louis Cardinals organization.
- e. K. Boniecki announced a call for proposals for the 69th Annual Conference of the National Conference of Academic Deans, to be held July 9-10, 2015. The deadline for proposals is January 20, 2015. The President of the Higher Learning Commission will be the keynote speaker.
- f. J. Ishee stated that the Physical Therapy accreditation team was on campus last week and the visit went well. He also stated that a Alisha Farris, a Dietetic Ph.D. student at Virginia Tech and UCA alum, was on Good Morning America recently discussing a study on school lunches.
- g. T. Wright stated that Reynolds Performance Hall performances are winding down for the year. Some upcoming events include Ballroom with a Twist and Improv with Colin Mocherie and Brad Sherwood.
- h. S. Addison reported that he had attended the INBRE conference at Fayetteville on November 7 and 8. Several faculty and students from CNSM also attended. Students submitted posters, some were selected to make oral presentations based on these submissions. Charles Deckard (Biology) Ryan Rodgers (Chemistry) and Otis Perkins (Physics) were selected to make oral presentations. Ryan Rodgers was awarded first place in the Chemistry and Biochemistry presentation section. Edouard Niyonsaba (Biology), H Cass Martin (Chemistry) and Otis Perkins (Physics) received honorable mentions in the poster category. He also stated that notification of the INBRE renewal status should be received soon.
- i. L. Young reminded council members that all DegreeWorks problems should be reported as soon as issues are identified. Departments should review to identify any errors and send the information to Becky Rasnick, Clay Eubanks and the appropriate department chair. Discussion followed. L. Young also provided council members with a copy of an email that was distributed regarding the automated wait list instructions. Discussion followed.
- j. S. Runge reminded council members of the importance of advisors using the core check sheets provided as part of the undergraduate bulletin <http://uca.edu/ubulletin/ldcore/>. Discussion followed regarding ways to increase awareness about the check sheets. S. Runge also reported that Google Day is coming soon.

The meeting adjourned at 11:32am.