

Undergraduate Council

Annual Report 2016-17

The Undergraduate Council is charged to (1) review and recommend to the Council of Deans new undergraduate curricula and programs by the various departments and colleges; (2) to review existing undergraduate offerings and make appropriate recommendations to the Council of Deans; and (3) to initiate and recommend policies and procedures relevant to baccalaureate and associate degree requirements, grading and credit policies, academic standards, and related matters.

The Undergraduate Council convened eight times during the academic year and experienced a high level of participation by all members. Faculty membership included: Dr. Kurt Boniecki (chair), Dr. Tammy Benson, Dr. Michael Rubach, Dr. Bernard Chen, Dr. Bhavanand Rathinasamy, Dr. Kaye McKinzie, Dr. Clay Arnold, Dr. Dee Lance, Dr. Tom Oxner, Dr. Jennifer Brinegar, Dr. Carl Frederickson, Dr. Beula Magimairaj, Dr. Alana Reid, Dr. Brent Shires, Ms. Leslie Gomes, Dr. Jen Talbot, Dr. Kathleen Atkins, Dr. Paige Rose, Dr. Jia Zhu and Dr. Jeff Whittingham. Undergraduate Council student representatives were: Ms. Deborah Zetino, Ms. Patton Beavers and Ms. Laurie Nick. Ms. Becky Rasnick served ex officio as the University Registrar.

New courses recommended by the Undergraduate Council, forwarded to the Council of Deans and approved by the Provost this academic year:

College of Liberal Arts

1. IEP 1380 Pathway to College Writing for Non-Native English Speakers
2. IEP 1370 Pathway to College Reading and Critical Thinking
3. IEP 1170 Public Speaking for Non-Native English Speakers
4. JAPN 2340 Intensive Oral Practice Abroad in Japanese
5. HIST 2310 Introduction to Asian History
6. ENGL 1373 FYS in Fine Arts / Humanities
7. PHIL 1373 FYS in Fine Arts / Humanities
8. HIST 1399 History of Today: The World Since 1945
9. HIST 4324 Topics in American History
10. HIST 4334 Topics in European History
11. HIST 4344 Topics in World History
12. HIST 4398 The Politics of Sex and Sexuality in Modern East Asia
13. SPAN 3380 Spanish Practicum in Service Learning
14. LING 4110 Capstone in Linguistics

15. HIST 3385 World Military History: A Survey of Global Conflict Patterns
16. HIST 4304 Material Culture: Finding History in Everyday Things
17. SPAN 3301 Advanced Spanish for Heritage Speakers
18. CHIN 3380 Advanced Composition and Textual Analysis
19. CHIN 2350 Intermediate Conversational Chinese
20. ANTH 4370 Internship (Anthropology)

College of Health & Behavioral Sciences

1. IDSN 3326 Commercial Interior Design II
2. PSYC 3361 Introduction to Media Psychology
3. EXSS 3355 Exercise Science Clinical Experience I
4. EXSS 4303 Clinical Exercise Physiology
5. EXSS 4355 Exercise Science Clinical Experience II
6. EXSS 3215 Athletic Training: A Health Care Profession
7. NM T 4100 Senior Seminar (Nuclear Medicine Technology)
8. NM T 4440 Fundamentals of Computer Tomography

College of Business

College of Education

1. EDUC 2330 Topics in Social Justice in Teaching and Learning

College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics

1. ENGR 3415 An Introduction to Digital Logic
2. ENGR 3416 Microprocessors Systems
3. ENGR 3340 An Introduction to Digital Image Processing
4. ENGR 4315 An Introduction to Signal Processing
5. ENGR 3301 Signals and Systems
6. ENGR 4450 An Introduction to Embedded Systems
7. ENGR 3410 Microcont Rollers
8. ENGR 3421 Robotics I
9. ENGR 3447 Microelectronics
10. ENGR 4311 Senior Design I
11. ENGR 4312 Senior Design 2
12. ENGR 4421 Robotics 2
13. BIOL 4376 Virology
14. BIOL 4414 Molecular Mechanisms of Aging

College of Fine Arts & Communication

1. MUS 4214 Introduction to Electroacoustic Music

2. WRTG 2330 Introduction to Writing Studies
3. WRTG 4360 Writing Studies Research Methods

Other significant curriculum, policy, and program changes recommended by the Undergraduate Council, forwarded to the Council of Deans, and approved by the Provost this academic year:

1. Removed WP and WF grade options along with the removal of the second withdrawal deadline contingent upon the withdrawal deadline be moved to the Friday of the twelfth week of classes.
2. Changed the conditions for continued enrollment of conditionally admitted, conditional-prep status, and transfer students.
3. Changed the Advanced Placement scores for UCA credit.
4. Established new degree program in Computer Engineering
5. Changed the degree program name from Digital Filmmaking to Film.
6. Created two new concentrations in the Department of Exercise and Sport Science: Pre-Athletic Training and Clinical Exercise Science.
7. Changed total semester credit hour requirements for the philosophy minor from 21 to 18 and for the religious studies minor from 24 to 18.
8. Changed track name in the School of Communication from General Writing to Writing Studies
9. Changed the prefix of Creative Writing courses from WRTG to CRWR
10. Changed the prefix of STEMteach EDUC courses to STEM
11. Changed the program name from the BS in Medical Technology to the BS in Medical Laboratory Science.
12. Changed the name in the Physics and Astronomy department from the Applied Physics track to the Engineering Physics track and increased the program credit hour requirement from 120 to 126.
13. Added new course UNIV 1330 Journeys to Success in the University College
14. Deleted Political Science program minor in Presidential Studies
15. Converted College of Business degree program BBA to online delivery
16. Converted existing courses to hybrid or online delivery: QMTH 3325, MIS 4355, MKTG 3373, HIST 2320, HIST 2302, CSCI 3370, CSCI 4315, CSCI 3335, PRLS 3310, PRLS 4310, ENGL 1320, THEA 3324, THEA 3325, MGMT 3342, CRIM 3370, BIOL 1400, HIST 4304, MKTG 2350, MKTG 3351, MKTG 3372, ACCT 4317, MAH 1395, MATH 2311, MGMT 4348, INSU 3315, INSU 4320, INSU 3320, INSU 4315, PHIL 1330, PHIL 2360