

Council of Deans
August 12, 2015

The Council of Deans met in regular session at 9:04 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2015. Steve Runge presided, and the following members were present: Jonathan Glenn, Maurice Lee, Kurt Boniecki, Stephanie Bellar, Jimmy Ishee, Terry Wright, Steve Addison and Laura Young. Ken Griffin attended in the absence of Michael Hargis. Leigh Ann DenHartog, Director of the Academic Advising Center, attended to provide an update of the ongoing efforts of the Academic Advising Center.

- 1) L. A. DenHartog shared with council members the following information:
 - The Advising Center has taken on new responsibilities with the processing of student graduation applications and will review graduation applications for the December 2016 graduation. These applications are due to the Registrar by October 9, 2015.
 - The advisors will partner with the Deans during Welcome Week. The Advising Center will be advising students on the “Top Ten” things that students should do in order to achieve success at UCA.

- 2) The CoD minutes of August 5, 2015 were approved with minor revision. J. Glenn, K. Griffin, M. Lee, S. Addison and S. Bellar abstained due to having not been present at the August 5th meeting.

- 3) K. Boniecki led a discussion regarding the content and purpose of the UCA Core Curriculum forms. Discussion followed. The Council of Deans voted to approve the recommended UCA Core Curriculum Forms.

K. Boniecki provided an overview of the recommended revisions to the UG and Graduate Curriculum Change forms. If approved, use of these new forms be transitioned over the fall semester and fully implemented in January 2016. Discussion followed, and the consideration of the revised UG and Graduate Curriculum Change forms will continue at the next CoD meeting.

- 4) S. Runge led a discussion regarding Study Abroad related residency requirements. Current UCA residency requirements stipulate that 24 of a student’s final 30 credit-hours must be earned in residence. This is a problem for senior students who wish to participate in Study Abroad, because the receipt of a full semester of credit from an institution abroad places the student in violation of the university’s policy. Discussion followed, and Council members agreed to recommend to the Undergraduate Council revised residency requirement language that will provide an exception for senior students participating in Study Abroad.

- 5) Provost’s announcements:

- The Council of Deans will not meet on Wednesday, August 19th, due to scheduled College Faculty Meetings that morning.
- The findings of the recent university security audit have been reviewed, and plans are being made to implement additional security measures that will address any discovered weaknesses.
- The Strategic Planning Taskforce Retreat was held on Monday and Tuesday.

- A New Faculty Orientation luncheon will take place tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. in Brewer Hegeman 111/113. Members of the CoD will be introduced at this luncheon.

8) Member Reports:

- K. Griffin reported that enrollment for the fall is up approximately 9 – 10% in the College of Business.
- S. Addison stated that the CNSM Bootcamp started today and includes a good group of students.
- L. Young thanked Council members for their assistance in adding course sections when needed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.