

MINUTES
UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
December 5, 2024

The Undergraduate Council met in Wingo Hall 214 and via video conference.

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Kurt Boniecki (Chair), Shannon Johnson, Saadia Lawton, Carl Frederickson, Alex Chen, Ling Zhang, Kathryn Carroll, Joe Thomas, Susan Gatto, Ellen Hostetter, Jessica Herring-Watson, Joseph McGarrity, Sunny Styles-Foster, Brent Shires, Ed Powers, Rodney Lippard (NV), and Vicky Summers (NV).

MEMBERS ABSENT: Shawn Charlton, Opeyemi Adedaja, Chance Stewart and LeighAnn DenHartog

GUESTS: Jacob Held, Louis Young, and Art Gillaspy

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 pm

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Shannon Johnson, on behalf of subcommittee one, made a motion to recommend approval of a proposal from the Office of the Provost for updates to the course repeat for grade forgiveness policy that aim to enhance clarity and support for students. Carl Frederickson seconded the motion. Motion passed, all in favor.
2. Ellen Hostetter, on behalf of subcommittee two, made a motion to recommend approval of a proposal from the Department of Psychology and Counseling / BS in Psychology to convert the program to online delivery. Sunny Styles-Foster seconded the motion. Motion passed, all in favor.
3. Ellen Hostetter, on behalf of subcommittee two, made a motion to recommend approval of a proposal from the Department of Mathematics / BS / Pure and Applied for new course MATH 4379 Introduction to Calculus of Variations. Sunny Styles-Foster seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding class size and course demand. Kurt Boniecki explained that asking department chairs questions about sufficient resources is within the purview of the Undergraduate Council. The motion passed, all in favor.
4. Joe Thomas, on behalf of subcommittee three, made a motion to recommend approval of a proposal from the Department of Music / Music Education / Piano Concentration, Vocal Emphasis to add MUSA 2V50 Voice as a required course. Brent Shires seconded the motion. The motion passed, all in favor.
5. Joe Thomas, on behalf of subcommittee three, made a motion to recommend approval of two proposals from the Department of Music for new Organ courses MUSA 2V31 and

MUSA 4V31. Ed Powers seconded the motion. Discussion followed about the variable credit values of 1, 2 and 4 - why not include 3? Assistant Professor of Music Louis Young agreed to amend the proposal to include three credits. University Registrar Vicky Summers indicated that Banner uses a maximum and minimum range for variable credit allocation. Motion passed, all in favor, to modify the proposals to include 1, 2, 3 or 4 credits.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. From Health Sciences: nonsubstantive change to the course description for HLTH 4391 Leadership in Health Sciences.
2. From Nutrition and Family Sciences / BS in FCS and FCS Minor: add FACS 3303 to the list of major elective courses.

Submitted on behalf of the Undergraduate Council,

Kurt Boniecki