

MINUTES
UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
September 4, 2025

The Undergraduate Council met in Wingo Hall room 315.

Members Participating: Kurt Boniecki (Chair), Saadia Lawton, Joseph McGarrity, Kristin Dooley, Shawn Charlton, Ellen Hostetter, Alex Chen, Ling Zhang, Acie Clark, Kathryn Carroll, Ben Rowley, Ed Powers, Jessica Herring-Watson and Rodney Lippard

Members Absent: Shannon Johnson, Stephanie Sorbet, Susan Gatto, Joe Thomas, Vicky Summers, LeighAnn DenHartog, SGA and Alpha Chi reps

Guest: Jacob Held

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. Kurt Boniecki welcomed new and returning members and explained the charge of the Undergraduate Council.

Unofficial Business:

1. Members were informed of the RFP for an Academic Management System.
2. Jessica Herring-Watson made a motion to select Kurt Boniecki as recording secretary. Joe McGarrity seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed, all in favor.
3. Joe McGarrity made a motion to have meetings exclusively in-person this academic year and to opt out of using Zoom. Shawn Charlton seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed, 8 in favor, 4 against and 1 abstention.

Action Item:

1. Ben Rowley made a motion to accept the proposed changes to the Academic Clemency Policy. Kristin Dooley seconded. Discussion followed. The motion was amended to also strike out the phrase “grows to appreciate education”. Motion passed, all in favor.

Information Items:

1. From Geography: revise course description for GEOG 2345 Geographic Information Techniques.
2. From Geography: change course title for GEOG 2475 to Geographic Information Systems I and revise course description.

3. From Geography: change course title for GEOG 3403 to Geographic Information Systems II and revise course description.
4. From Geography: change course title for GEOG 3404 to Python Programming for Spatial Analytics and revise course description.

The next UGC meeting is October 2, 2025 at 1:40 pm in Wingo Hall, room 315.

Submitted on behalf of the Undergraduate Council,

Kurt Boniecki