

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS, CORE COUNCIL minutes: 10/6/15 (attendance: aa = advised absent)

Chairs

Jim Downey (BUS); Carey Clark (FAC); Jeff Allender (NSM); Wendy Lucas (LA); Emogene Fox (HBS), a; Kathleen Atkins (ED), aa

College Reps

Mike Ellis (BUS); Rebecca Gatlin-Watts (BUS), aa; Susan Gatto (HBS), aa; Kim Eskola (HBS); Sonya Fritz (LA), aa; Katelyn Knox (LA); Michael Mills (ED), aa; Debbie Barnes (ED); Charles Watson (NSM), aa; Vacant (NSM); Laura Bowles (FAC); Kyle Mattson (FAC)

Honors/University College

Carl Olds (UC); Patricia Smith (Honors), a

Student Reps (invited)

Vacant (Alpha Chi); Nakita Higgins (SGA), a

Ex-Officio

Kurt Boniecki, Assoc. Provost for Instructional Support; Renee LeBeau-Ford (or proxy), Director of Library; Becky Rasnick, Registrar

Visitors

None present

J. Held, UCA Core Director presiding

Call to Order in LIB 206 @ 1:45 pm

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes from 9.1.15

- Motion raised and seconded to approve 9.1.15 minutes; unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Term Limits (Corrections/Transition)

- J. Held provided overview of recent history of UCA Core term limits and transitions
- Motion raised and seconded to approve J. Held's updated term limits and transitions; unanimously passed

Curriculum Proposals

- Geography
 - 1.) Credit hour change (Action Item); change in semester credit hour to 37 from 36
 - 2.) Course title change (Info Item); change in course title
 - Motion raised and seconded to approve; unanimously passed.
- Physics and Astronomy
 - 1.) Electronic Delivery (Information Item); discussion ensued of Spring 2016 curricular impact of this proposed change; question posed about how long the term of this course (8 weeks or longer term?); more discussion ensued.

Distribute Honors Proposal

- J. Held presented honors course proposal to review for next meeting, Nov. 3rd.

Sub-Committee Updates

- Committee update on FYS (Held)
 - Met to discuss FYS shell courses (placing online for subcommittee); documents shared to create an FYS resource guide to help instructors integrate FYS materials into their FYS courses; some discussion ensued.
 - J. Held noted he plans to share these resources with Core Council members (over GoogleDrive).
- Committee update on Assessment (Downey)
 - Mentioned that discussions are ongoing.
 - Plan to meet next week for continued discussion.

Advising Issues

- Students on 2013-14 bulletin year (or earlier) do not need to worry about UCA UD Core courses; students on 2014-15 bulletin year (or later) must satisfy the UCA Core courses.
- J. Held indicated that there is a guide for the UD Core. Discussion ensued about where the best material is located to find information about UD Core (particularly for faculty advisors to quickly locate the information in need-to-know interactions with their advisees). J. Held noted that the information is available in redundant locations to assist advisors in this role. Additional discussion of coding questions/challenges impacting UD Core courses in DegreeWorks. More discussion ensued. Next meeting: x-period, Tues., Nov. 3, 2015 (LIB 206)

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 2:30 pm

Minutes by K. Mattson, Core Council Secretary AY 2015-16