

University Committee on Courses and Curricula
Mississippi State University
September 4, 2020

Members

Present: Tracey Baham, Anna Bales, Randy Campbell, Russell Carr, Padmanava Dash, Brian Davis, Tyler Dickerson, Nathan Drake, Dana Franz, Julie Jessop, Caroline Kobia, Pat Mattes, Qingmin Meng, Cate Mocal-King, Rob Moore, Emily Owen, Tommy Parker, Ira Parson, Andy Perkins, Suzanne Powney, Matthew Priddy, Wendy Roussin, Emily Shaw, Kathy Sherman-Morris, Darrell Sparks, Barry Stewart, Marian Swindell, Brad Trinkle, Jenny Turner, Jeff Winger, Chien Yu

Excused: Brian Baldwin, Kathy Dooley, Trey Howell

Guests: Kylie Forsythe, Lynda Moore

The September 4, 2020 meeting was conducted using WebEx connective technology due to the coronavirus.

Franz called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, September 4, 2020. The meeting was conducted using WebEx connective technology. Franz announced that she is meeting with Brent Fountain, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, about the 2020 Winter Session.

Trinkle moved to approve the minutes from the July 31, 2020 UCCC meeting. Priddy seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Carr moved to approve the modification of EN 4903 Nineteenth-Century American Literature. R. Moore seconded the motion. UCCC members discussed how the prerequisite was written. The motion was approved.

Carr moved to approve the addition of FLG 6593 Contemporary German Literature and the addition of distance education to FLG 6593. Priddy seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal questioned whether additional prerequisites are needed for this course; whether distance education work will be posted on Canvas and if so, that information needs to be in the syllabus; and whether the course should be made available for Campus 1 students. Trinkle moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. R. Moore seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Carr moved to approve the addition of GE 2011 Engineering Recruitment Leadership Seminar. Priddy seconded the motion. UCCC members discussed the grading scale. The motion was approved.

Carr moved to approve the modification of WFA 3133 Applied Ecology. Priddy seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Roussin moved to approve the renaming of the BS in Environmental Economics and Management. Trinkle seconded the motion. UCCC members were concerned that the only courses related to environmental science are BIO 3104 Ecology and WFA 3133 Applied Aquatic & Terrestrial Ecology. UCCC

members pointed out there are no sustainability classes such as ENS 2103 Environmental Sciences and PSS 4153/6153 Sustainable Agroecology in the degree and felt the use of the word “sustainability” may not be supported adequately in the proposal. Carr moved to table the motion. Stewart seconded the motion to table. The motion to table was approved.

Roussin moved to approve the addition of a minor in Landscape Architecture. Trinkle seconded the motion. UCCC members were concerned there was not much information in the student learning outcomes and assessment section of the proposal. UCCC members were also concerned that a student could obtain the minor by taking only 1000 level courses. Trinkle moved to pass the motion contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. Powney seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Carr moved to adjourn. Roussin seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.