

University Committee on Courses and Curricula
Mississippi State University
November 19, 2021

Members

Present: Kathleen Alley, Brian Baldwin, Tom Carskadon, Dana Franz, Kennedy Guest, Carlen Henington, Brad Lang, Julie Jessop, Caroline Kobia, Ben Lang, Cate Mocal-King, Jeremy Montgomery, Rob Moore, Emily Owen, Tommy Parker, Andy Perkins, Matthew Priddy, Wendy Roussin, Emily Shaw, James Sobaskie, Barry Stewart, Jenny Turner, Jeff Winger, Chien Yu

Excused: Randy Campbell, Russell Carr, Chanu Cherukuri, Padmanava Dash, Brian Davis, LaDonne Delgado, Kathy Dooley, Nathan Drake, Trey Howell, George Popescu, Suzanne Powney

Guests: Scott DiGiulio, Kylie Forsythe, Jake Fountain, Amelia Fox, Lynda Moore,

Perkins called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, November 19, 2021 in the Fowlkes Auditorium (Room 313) of the Colvard Student Union. Henington moved to approve the minutes from the October 22, 2021 UCCC meeting. Priddy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved. Perkins announced the proposed by-laws revision listed on the agenda would not be considered because the special quorum needed for the revision of the by-laws was not present.

Mocal-King moved to approve the modifications and inclusion of distance education for ABE 8911 Agricultural and Biological Engineering Seminar I and ABE 8921 Agricultural and Biological Engineering Seminar II. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposals recommended approval. The motion was approved.

Mocal-King moved to approve the modification and inclusion of distance education for ADS 3233 Equine Assisted Therapy. Priddy seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal recommended approval. The motion was approved.

Mocal-King moved to approve the addition and inclusion of distance education for BCH 4243/6243 Plant Molecular Biology. Priddy seconded the motion. UCCC members discussed whether the graduate section of the course had sufficient additional requirements beyond the undergraduate level as required by AOP 11.04. The motion was approved.

Mocal-King moved to approve the additions and inclusion of distance education for BCH 8673 Host-Microbe Interaction Mechanisms and EPP 8673 Host-Microbe Interaction Mechanisms. Priddy seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposals observed the syllabi indicate that no late submission can be accepted without prior instructor approval which is in conflict with AOP 12.09. Roussin moved to pass the proposals contingent upon the above concern being addressed. Henington seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

R. Moore moved to approve the modification and addition of distance of distance education to PSS 4313/6313 Soil Fertility and Fertilizers. Jessop seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal recommended approval. The motion was approved.

R. Moore moved to approve the modification and addition of distance education to PSS 4603/6603 Soil Chemistry. Jessop seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal observed under the attendance section of the syllabus, the references to “lab” should be removed. On the course outline two topics (Soil Biogeochemical Processing and Soil Colloids) are listed as four contact hours without breaking down the contact hours into subtopics. Under the Guide and Format, contact hours listed over three are required to be broken down into subtopics. Priddy moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. Roussin seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

R. Moore moved to approve the modification and addition of distance education for PSS 4733/6733 Ag. Flight Technologies I. Jessop seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal observed the graduate paper is optional if the graduate student passes certification before the final exam date. This option makes the graduate students and undergraduate students have the same course requirements. AOP 11.04 requires that graduate students must satisfy course requirements beyond the undergraduate level. There needs to be clarification earlier in the syllabus that Campus 5 students are not required to participate in the flight training held at the Horse Park. On page 6 of the syllabus, it indicates two demonstrations (Fixed and Rotocopter Flight) will be awarded unit points while on page 7 of the syllabus it indicates three skills tests will be administered. This conflict needs to be resolved. Priddy moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. Baldwin seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

R. Moore moved to approve the addition of distance education to PSS 8333 Advanced Soil Fertility. Jessop seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal recommended approval. The motion was approved.

R. Moore moved to approve the addition and inclusion of distance education for FLL 4233/6233. Jessop seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal questioned if distance education would only be available for the 6000 level of the course. If distance approval is also being sought for the 4000 level, the syllabus needs to include distance education information for the undergraduate students. In the syllabus under quizzes, undergraduate students have both announced and unannounced quizzes. Campus 1 graduate students have both announced and unannounced quizzes. Campus 5 graduate students have only announced quizzes. UCCC members questioned why the Campus 5 graduate students were being treated differently and if this is an equity issue. Henington moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. Priddy seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Roussin moved to approve the addition of distance education to ART 4924 Film Theory. Priddy seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal observed the four distance questions need to include more information. UCCC members questioned how films will be available for Campus 5 students since the films cannot be streamed unless the library has the appropriate license. UCCC members also questioned how a grade will be assigned for distance attendance. Henington moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. R. Moore seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Winger moved to approve the addition of distance education to KI 8313 Interpretation of Data in Kinesiology. Roussin seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposal observed more information about why distance learning is needed should be included under Justification in the course proposal. Under number two in Evaluation of Student Progress it indicates that some work will

be performed in class and other work outside of class. The statement needs to be adjusted for distance students. Under Attendance there is no policy for Campus 1 students including no penalties listed for late work, but there are penalties for Campus 5 students who do not attend class. The policy needs to be equitable for Campus 1 and Campus 5 students. Priddy moved to pass the proposal contingent upon the above concerns being addressed. Henington seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Winger moved to approve the modification of MU 2731 Cantaré, and the additions of MU 2741 OPUS, MU 2751 Schola Cantorum, and MU 3761 State Singers. Roussin seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the proposals observed that while 15 contact hours are listed for each course, 30 contact hours are need for the one credit hour studio courses. Priddy moved to pass the proposals contingent upon the above concern being addressed. Henington seconded the motion. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Winger moved to adjourn. Priddy seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.