

Mississippi State University
University Committee on Courses and Curricula

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2026

Present: Amy Adkerson, Tracey Baham, Sawyer Bowering (proxy via Hannah Baker), Marty Bray, Mike Breazeale, Randy Campbell, Tracy Craven, Keegan Figueroa (voted proxy via Abigail Spreen), Donna Gordon, Karolina Heathcock (voted proxy via Andrew Berry), Alexis Gregory (voted proxy via Ashley Studdard Hughes), Evan Kaplan, Kris King, JuYoung Lee, Tawny McCleon, Alyssa Miller, Danielle Molina, Rob Moore, Tommy Parker, Krishna Poudel, Matthew Priddy, Aswathy Rai, Neeraj Rai (voted proxy via Aswathy Rai), Amber Robinson, Wendy Roussin, Barry Stewart, Jacob Tschume, Kenna Vowell, Jim Watkins

Excused: Nathan Drake, Attila Karsi, Brad Lang, Brittany Moore-Henderson, Emily Owen, Andy Perkins, Kimberly Woodruff

Absent: Kate Gregory

Guests: Cory Bailey, CALS; Kayla Carr, School of Nursing; Rinat Gabitov, Geosciences; Afshin Hatami, BCS; Sarah Lalk, Geosciences; Stephanie Lemley, TEAL; Junfeng Ma, Industrial & Systems Engineering; Renee Matich, Biochemistry, Nutrition, & Health Promo; Chase McCullum, Meridian Division of Education; Alisha Milam, Meridian Division of Education; Lynda Moore, College of Integrative Studies; Beca Spencer, CHEF; Michele Stubbs, Meridian Division of Education;

Priddy called the meeting to order at 1:33.

Minutes from the January 23rd meeting were not distributed and will be approved at the March 27th meeting.

Bray moved to approve the modification of LSK 1033. Molina seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The course is adding distance delivery, but is missing significant information for distance students related to attendance, exams, and other class meetings. There are also additional syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposer. Rai moved to table the course proposal based upon the stated concerns. Roussin seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Bray moved to approve the addition of FNH 8573. Molina seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are minor syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposer. Rai moved to pass the course proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Roussin seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Bray moved to approve the modification of GA 2000. Molina seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The committee had concerns over the change in credit and repeatability. It seems that students can decide which grade mode to enroll in, as well as how many credit hours, which is not currently supported. OIRE also noted that zero credits can not be an option. The proposer needs to clarify

the intent of the change in credit, as well as address several syllabus edits which will be communicated to them. Robinson moved to table the proposal based upon the stated concerns. Campbell seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Bray moved to approve the addition of BCS 2333. Molina seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The proposer did not fill out the required distance information in CIM. Rai moved to table the course proposal based upon the stated concerns. Campbell seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Bray moved to approve the modifications of BCS 3116, BCS 3126, BCS 4116 and BCS 4126. Molina seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the course proposals recommended approval. The motion was approved.

Bray moved to approve the modification of BCS 3903. Molina seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: This course is currently cross listed with ARC 3904, but there is no letter of support from architecture supporting the removal of the cross listing. The course is also currently listed as 4 credits, but there are over 200 students who have the 4 credit version required in their current program of study, which will need to be addressed. Robinson moved to table the course proposal based upon the stated concerns. Stewart seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Priddy moved to approve the modifications of the MS in Agriculture-Animal Science and the Minor in Animal and Dairy Sciences, and the addition of the Graduate Certificate in Dietetic Internship. Watkins seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the program proposals recommended approval, with the Graduate Certificate in Dietetic Internship needed an updated program code as previously discussed with the Registrar's office. The motion was approved.

Poudel moved to approve the modifications of AS 1101 and AS 3101. Rai seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are minor syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposers. Rai moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Roussin seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Poudel moved to approve the modifications of ATM 4523/6523 and ATM 4533/6533. Rai seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: These courses and many of their assignments seem to mirror each other. The committee would like the proposers to clarify the differences and why two courses are needed. Rai moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Stewart seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Poudel moved to approve the addition of ATM 4953/6953, the modifications of GG 4114/6114, GG 4123/6123, and GG 4503/6503, and the modification of the BS in Geosciences. Rai seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the course and program proposals recommended approval, with the BS in Geosciences needing minor clerical revisions as previously discussed with the Registrar's office. The motion was approved.

McCleon moved to approve the modifications of MS 1111, MS 1121, MS 2212, MS 2222, MS 3213, MS 3223, MS 4213, and MS 4223, and the additions of MS 2001 and MS 4001. Vowell seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The learning outcomes for many of these courses are very similar, even across levels. The committee recommends the proposer consult with Kris King in CITE to further

develop their outcomes, as well as address several minor syllabus edits which will be communicated to them. Robinson moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Rai seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Kaplan moved to approve the modifications of ABA 4603 and ABA 4663. Moore seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: These courses are cross listed with EPY 4603 and EPY 4663, but there has been no proposal submitted for those courses. There are also several syllabus edits that will be submitted to the proposers. Robinson moved to table the course proposals based upon the stated concerns. Rai seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Kaplan moved to approve the additions of ED 6323, ED 6353, ED 6383, ED 6413, ED 6863, ED 8103, ED 8113, and ED 8123. Moore seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: No course schedules or makeup policies are included for these courses. There are also concerns over potential duplication with courses in CALS and CPCS. Campbell moved to table the course proposals based upon the stated concerns. Rai seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Moore moved to approve the additions of ED 8133, ED 8323, ED 8353, and ED 8393. Campbell seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are concerns over potential duplication with courses in CALS and CPCS. Additionally, there are some minor syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposers. Stewart moved to table the course proposals based upon the stated concerns. Rai seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Moore moved to approve the additions of ED 8253, ED 8333, ED 8493, ED 8673, ED 8723, and ED 8733. Campbell seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are minor syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposers. ED 8493 should also use the directed individual study method of instruction. Rai moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Stewart seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Lee moved to approve the addition of ED 8823. Stewart seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are distance equivalence issues, with asynchronous mentioned in some places but synchronous in others, and will need significant clarification. Rai moved to pass the course proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Robinson seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Lee moved to approve the additions of ED 8843, ED 8863, ED 8873, ED 8883, and ED 8980. Stewart seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: These courses all have distance equivalence issues, mentioning asynchronous in some places but synchronous in others, and will need significant clarification, and there are also concerns over potential duplication. ED 8980 needs clarification on the credit structure and how the two track system is meant to work. Campbell moved to table the course proposals based upon the stated concerns. Rai seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Lee moved to approve the addition of EDE 8103. Stewart seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The course attendance policy needs to clarify the hybrid section and the participation points do not add up. Rai moved to pass the course proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Roussin seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Lee moved to approve the modification of KI 8303. Stewart seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The course title is the same as the existing KI 9000 and should be updated. Campbell moved to pass the course proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Robinson seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Lee moved to approve the addition of TECH 4863/6863. Stewart seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: The committee noted that TECH and the Department of Technology, Leadership, and Design do not currently have any courses offered through the Meridian campus and did not note a specific reasoning for adding the Meridian campus in the proposal. Rai moved to pass the course proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Robinson seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Robinson moved to approve the additions of the EDD in Education-Adult and Applied Learning for Educational Innovation, the EDS in Education-Educational Design for Transformative Practice, and the MS in Educational Design for Transformative Practice and the modifications of the EDD in Education-Educational Policy & Organizational Design and MAT in Elementary Level Alternate Route. Roussin seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: All programs contain courses that were previously tabled. Additionally, the EDS in Education-Educational Design for Transformative Practice has concern over potential duplication with CALS. Stewart moved to table the program proposals based upon the stated concerns. Campbell seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Rai moved to approve the modification of the BS in Elementary Education. Vowell seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the program proposal recommended approval. The motion was approved with two in opposition.

Campbell moved to approve the modification of ECE 8733. Moore seconded the motion. The subcommittee that reviewed the course proposal recommended approval. The motion was approved.

Campbell moved to approve the modification of ECE 8623 and the addition of IE 2913. Moore seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: ECE 8623 does not have learning outcomes listed in the syllabus. IE 2913's attendance policy does not address distance students. Additionally, both course have minor syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposers. Rai moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Robinson seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Campbell moved to approve the additions of IE 4583/6583 and IE 4593/6593. Moore seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: Letter of support are not signed by department faculty and there are no additional graduate requirements listed. Directed individual study does not need to be marked as a method of instruction and interactive video does not need to be marked as a method of delivery in CIM. Additionally, there are some syllabus edits that will be communicated to the proposers. Robinson moved to table the course proposals based upon the stated concerns. Rai seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Gordon moved to approve the addition of CVM 4643/6643. Rai seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: This course was previously tabled lacking appropriate letters of support. While a letter providing adequate faculty signatures has been provided, there has not been a letter provided from

the Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, & Aquaculture. Robinson moved to table the course proposal based upon the stated concerns. Stewart seconded. The motion to table was approved.

Gordon moved to approve the additions of NSG 6000, NSG 6100, NSG 8221, and NSG 8222, and the modification of NSG 6002. Rai seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are a number of syllabus edits for all courses that will be communicated to the proposers. NSG 6000 should use the directed individual study method of instruction. NSG 6100 should clarify contact hours for practicum. NSG 8221 and NSG 8222 should clarify whether they are corequisite. Robinson moved to pass the course proposals contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Stewart seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Gordon moved to approve the addition of the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Nursing Knowledge. Rai seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: 4 program outcomes are required by Institutional Effectiveness, and there are several courses awaiting final approval. Robinson moved to pass the program proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Molina seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Bray moved to approve the addition of the BS in Tourism and Destination Development. Gordon seconded the motion. Some of the issues discussed included: There are courses awaiting final approval. Roussin moved to pass the program proposal contingent upon the stated concerns being addressed. Robinson seconded. The motion to pass contingent was approved.

Roussin moved to adjourn. Moore seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 4:07.