

All University Committee (AUC) Meeting

Thursday, November 30, 2023

3:30 P.M.

Miller Oval

Committee Members in Attendance:

Patricia Arend, Franca Barricelli, Laura Bayless, Kervens Blanc, Rachelle Dermer, Rala Diakite, Laura Garofoli, Jonathan Harvey, Emily Maestri, Patricia Marshall, Kisha Tracy, Allison Turner, Amy Wehe, Paul Weizer

Committee Members Absent: None

Guests in Attendance: Donald Tarallo

Meeting called to order at 3:31 pm

Acceptance of AUC Standing Committees Minutes:

- **Academic Policy Meeting: October 10, 2023**
- **Curriculum Meeting: October 19, 2023**

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Allison Turner

Vote: 12/0/1 (*Yes/No/Abstain*)

Approval of AUC Committee Minutes: November 2, 2023

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Allison Turner

Vote: 10/0/3 (*Yes/No/Abstain*)

Proposals to Refer to AUC Subcommittees

Refer Proposals AUC 7 through AUC 9 to the AUC Curriculum Committee

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Pat Marshall

Vote: 13/0/0

“Approval Not Required” (ANR) Proposals for Consideration

AUC 4: Change Course Name of COMM 3880 from “Typography” to “Typographic Design”

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Pat Marshall

Vote: 14/0/0

AUC 5: Remove Field of Study Restrictions and Remove Courses

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Franca Barricelli

Sponsor: Donald Tarallo

This proposal will help make it more accessible to students across the university. There are courses that are no longer taught, so we want to remove them from the catalog because they are now redundant. The thought is we need more students in the minor/program. All but two/three courses have prerequisites; those three courses’ contents are not covered in the other courses that we are asking to remove.

Vote: 14/0/0

AUC 6: Description Change for COMM 3900 Image and Design

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Allison Turner

Sponsor: Donald Tarallo

This was a course that was adopted when a former faculty retired. Thought it would be appropriate to reword the course title how I (*the faculty teaching the course*) would want to teach it. The course is about design.

Vote: 14/0/0

AUC 10: Add Alternative Prerequisite to MATH 3003 Advanced Statistics

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Amy Wehe

Amy Wehe presented on behalf of Sponsor

For students to have an extension to Applied Statistics, so they can have more experience to get into higher statistics level course. This will not affect the Mathematics department much because we have a lot of sections of Applied Statistics. It's a matter of if the students know statistics, you can get into the course.

Vote: 14/0/0

Proposals to Recommend for Approval

AUC 1: Academic Calendars: 2024-2025 and 2025-2026

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Rachelle Dermer

Sponsor: Franca Barricelli

Sponsor gave the process of how calendars are put through to the AUC committee and the MSCA contractual background. And that these calendars went through to all subcommittees with no friendly amendments.

- The only change in the 2024-2025 calendar from last year's approval, is that the word Web4 has been changed to College Scheduler (Fall 2024: 9/12 & 9/19 and Spring 2025: 1/23 & 1/29).
- There are reading days in each semester (between the last class and final exams).
- (Labor Day, Development Day, President's Welcome, residence halls open) In each year they will have their own day compared to previous years.
- What we're trying to do is create a regular pattern of when things happen from one year to the next, so calendar inceptions will be by formula when creating new calendars. This also depends on when Labor Day falls, etc. and we have to have certain number days (Per the MSCA contract) and Winter Commencement is always on a Friday.
- Committee member stated that they think that Spring break is a week too early. Another committee member agreed. Sponsor answered that part of the thinking is to have semesters divided by half and have it on the second Tuesday of that month. It is also connected to class withdrawals, advising, and class registrations etc.
- Student representative did not have a problem with where spring break has been and in the new calendars being put forth.

Vote: 14/0/0

AUC 2: Changes to Honors GPA Requirements

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Pat Marshall

Pat Marshall spoke on behalf of the sponsor

Stated that this brings the Honors GPA requirements into alignment with the Board of Higher Education. They have specifics recommendations and guidelines for honors programs to follow.

A student representative asked the sponsor why the GPA requirement is so low? Sponsor stated it was set by the Board of Higher Education, and also that there are national honors societies that have a GPA requirement of 3.2 as well.

Vote: 14/0/0

Items from the Floor

None

Adjournment

Motion: Kisha Tracy Second: Pat Marshall

Meeting adjourned at 4:02 pm

Vote: 14/0/0