

Undergraduate Curriculum Council (UCC)

October 24, 2024 – for 2025-26 catalog

Volume XXXV, Meeting 7 (26-07) ‘virtual’ meeting via email

MINUTES - Approved by Curriculum Council on October 31, 2024; Accepted by Faculty Senate on December 9, 2024; Accepted by Academic Affairs on December 3, 2024

A. PRELIMINARIES

Attendance:

Members: Ben Bolin, Jona Jacobson, Jessica Winston, Bob Houghton, Ajit Bhattarai, Randa Kress, Sherry Adams, Wesley Usyak, Mona Doan, Camille Biorn, Crystal Kanderis Lane, Erin Berry, YuJin Kwon
Ex-Officio: Ivory Fort, Maren Bullock, Tiffany Mitchell, Cindy Hill
Admin. Asst.: Catherine Read

1. Announcements: none
2. Council approved, with 2 Abstentions and 1 Nay, the Minutes for [October 17, 2024](#) via email vote.
3. Report from the Executive Committee: none this week
4. Information from Academic Affairs: none this week
5. Current Subcommittee Activities:
 - a. General Education Requirements Committee (GERC) update
 - i. GERC Minutes for [September 24, 2024](#) for UCC’s acceptance
 - ii. GERC Minutes for [October 8, 2024](#) for UCC’s acceptance
 - b. BAS Committee update: none this week
 - c. Catalog Format Review Subcommittee update: none
6. Information from the Chair: none
7. Information from the Faculty Senate and other Councils: none
8. Other related information or questions: none

B. INFORMATION ITEMS -- none this week

C. CONSENT CALENDAR – approved by UCC Executive Committee for quick approval by UCC:

1. Council **approved**, with 1 Abstention, [Proposal #37](#) from COH **Emergency Services** to create new courses HSEM 3325, 3326, and 4580, delete HSEM 4450, update HSEM 4570 course title and curriculum for BS, Accelerated BS, and Minor in Homeland Security & Emergency Management. *Changes affect Grad Catalog. Requires notifying NWCCU and their approval of the curricular changes.*
2. Council unanimously **approved** [Proposal #38](#) from COSE **Chemistry** to renumber CHEM 3365 & 3366 to CHEM 4465 & 4466, add “P” sections to create CHEM 1101P & 1111P, create new CHEM 4401 and CHEM 4421. *Changes affect Graduate Catalog. GERC has no concerns about the new Gen Ed Obj. 5 “P” sections.*

3. Council unanimously **approved [Proposal #43](#)** from COH **Nutrition & Dietetics** to create new courses NTD 4425 & 4425L, delete NTD 4457, remove selection BIOL options and update curriculum for BS in Dietetics. *Requires notifying NWCCU and their approval of the curricular changes.*
4. Council unanimously **approved [Proposal #45](#)** from COSE **Mechanical Engineering** to remove ECE 2250 from the BS and Accelerated BS in Mechanical Engineering curriculum, and modify ME 4406 to 2 credits. *Changes affect [Proposal #31](#) forthcoming from Electrical & Computer Engineering. Requires Letter of Notification notifying OSBE, and NWCCU approval of the curricular and credit changes.*

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none this week; proposals were moved to Consent Calendar

Curriculum, Course, and Program Change Proposals: none this week

State Proposals for Endorsement: none this week

Other Business: none this week

E. “PARKING LOT” – proposals and other items awaiting resolution: none this week

1. [Proposal #27](#) from CAL **Anthropology and Languages** to increase repeatability credits allowed from 3 to 6 for SPAN 4493, SPAN 4494, and SPAN 4495. *Changes affect Graduate Catalog.*
2. [Proposal #32](#) from CAL and Student Success Center **University Honors Program** to create a new 9-credit Certificate in Civic Engagement open to students in the Honors program and participating as a mentored volunteer in a chosen partner organization. *Requires Letter of Notification #[2024-LON-08](#) notifying OSBE, and NWCCU approval of the new certificate.*

F. NEW BUSINESS:

Curriculum, Course, and Program Change Proposals:

1. [Proposal #23](#) from COSE **Mathematics & Statistics** to create new MATH 2299 course, change MATH 1108P from 3 to 5 credits, add ESET 1140 as pre-requisite option to lower division Math courses, and minor changes to curricula for Minors and BS degrees in Applied Math and in Statistics. *May require notifying NWCCU and their approval of the curricular changes.*
2. [Proposal #41](#) from COE **Teaching & Educational Studies** to create a new 20-credit Teaching Endorsement in Early Literacy, minor course changes, reactivate EDUC 4426 and create new courses EDUC 4414 and EDUC 4433 for the endorsement. *Changes affect Grad Catalog. Requires submission to OSBE following their new process for new Teaching Endorsements.*
3. [Proposal #50](#) from CAL **Global Studies** to change GLBL 4493 from 4 to 3 credits, add interdisciplinary electives to Global Studies majors and minor, add new concentration and update titles of existing concentrations. *Requires Letter of Notification notifying OSBE, and NWCCU approval of the concentration and curricular changes.*
4. [Proposal #51](#) from COE **Teaching & Educational Studies** to update electives for the 20-credit and 30-credit Teaching Endorsements in Social Studies. *Contingent upon approval of [Proposal #46](#) creating the new HIST 4470 course. May require notifying OSBE of the Teaching Endorsement curricular updates.*

5. [Proposal #56](#) from **College of Science & Engineering** to create a new, general A.S. in Science open to students in all Science & Engineering programs, providing more support for Fort Hall Tribal and non-Tribal students to earn an associate's degree, thereby qualifying for higher-paying employment. *Requires OSBE and NWCCU approval of State Proposal #2024-xx for the new degree.*
6. [Proposal #57](#) from COH **Emergency Services** to change course titles for EMS 3300, EMS 3335, and FSA 3335 to align with the national Fire and Emergency Services Higher Education curriculum, and to delete ANTH 4406 from the electives for the BS Health Science: EMS concentration. *Contingent upon approval of [Proposal #20](#) deleting ANTH 4406 from the catalog.*

State Proposals for Endorsement:

1. State Proposal #2024-xx AS in Science (*corresponds to [Proposal #56](#)*)

Other Business: none this week

G. FUTURE BUSINESS:

1. Sent to Catalog Format Subcommittee for investigation and recommendation: standardize catalog in regards to experimental courses; every subject code needs a lower division and upper division experimental course. Should it be a 1000 and 4000 level, or a 2000 and 3000 level pairing? Or an experimental course at each level? Grading question too: Letter, S/U, or allow flexibility depending on course and instructor needs?

[Experimental Course Spreadsheet](#) prepared by Ivory Fort

H. ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 a.m. Monday Oct. 28, 2024

APPENDICES

ACTIONS APPROVED, ACCEPTED, or ENDORSED: none this week

CURRICULUM PROPOSALS APPROVED FOR RECOMMENDATION:

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