

Members present (via Webex): Thomas Stollar, AL; Julia Higgs, BA; Yash Bhagwanji, ED; James Wetterer, HC; Katherine Chadwell, NU; Jerry Haky, SC; Precious Skinner-Osei, SJ; Thomas O’Brien, Library; Edward Pratt, Dean, Undergraduate Studies; Brian Hodge and Maria Jennings, Registrar’s Office (RO).

Excused: Dan Meeroff, EG, and Elissa Rudolph, RO.

Guests: Anthony Ambrosio, Intellectual Foundations Program; Prisca Augustyn, Languages, Linguistics and Comparative Literature (LLCL); Randy Brooks, Biological Sciences; Donna Chamely-Wiik, Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry (OURI); Mary Ann Gosser, University Honors Council (UHC); Jennifer Krill, Henderson School; Debra Szabo, Provost’s Office; Ana Wildman, Biological Sciences.

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

After welcoming the members and guests, Chair Jerry Haky asked for review/approval of the Committee’s minutes from its last meeting, October 12, 2020. **The UUPC approved the minutes as written.** Chair Haky’s only announcement was to remind representatives to attend the Senate meeting that afternoon if they have items on the agenda and to attend the Steering meeting on November 23 if they have items being approved at today’s meeting.

II. OLD BUSINESS

Arts and Letters

AL Rep Thomas Stollar presented the two Arts and Letters courses that were postponed at the October meeting. CPO 4762 will be an elective in the Political Science curriculum. This course has been offered as special topics in the past. **The UUPC approved this course.**

The second course, POS 3922, received several questions. The Committee asked if it is only open to high school dual enrolled students and would like to know more about the Barbara Schmidt Fellowship that is listed as a prerequisite. Debra Szabo, Provost’s Office, offered clarification on the Fellowship, stating it is part of a weekend program for high school students, but the question about whether the course is open to other FAU students was still unclear. Registrar Brian Hodge shared that if the course is open specific populations, the registration control for it should be department permission. Chair Haky asked if this course is supposed to offer the Academic Service Learning (ASL) component because of its community activism nature. Rep Stollar said he did not believe it is going to be ASL, but was not positive. Because more clarification is needed, **the UUPC postponed POS 3922** once more and asked for a representative from the department to be available at the next meeting to answer the Committee’s questions.

CPO 4762 Anthropology approval History approval	Religion and Politics in the Middle East	3	New	
POS 3922	Community Activism in Practice	3	New	Postponed

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. University- Wide

SJ Rep Precious Skinner-Osei, chair of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Across the Curriculum Subcommittee, presented the Committee’s final recommendations to incorporate the DEI initiative within FAU’s curriculum. She explained that the Committee recommends a DEI component for the

Academic Learning Compacts that will ensure each baccalaureate degree program includes at least two of the DEI knowledge subcategories. These include Perspective Taking, Cultural Knowledge and Self-Awareness, and Personal and Social Responsibility with the focus being on issues occurring in the U.S. Chair Skinner-Osei added that several of the subcategories are broad to give instructors flexibility when incorporating DEI in their courses. The proposal also adds a fourth measure for the IFP General Education Curriculum that ensures students will develop “a critical understanding of issues relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion in U.S. society.” Colleges provided helpful feedback regarding the two recommendations. After a brief discussion, **the UUPC approved the DEI Across the Curriculum proposal.**

Proposal College Comments	Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Across the Curriculum			
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2. Arts and Letters

AL Rep Stollar shared that the only change for ARH 2000 is that the pass/fail grading option is being removed. This course will now be graded with regular grade only. Next, he presented the German minor proposal that was withdrawn at the October meeting. He said the proposal has been updated according to requests made by the UUPC. The minor is replacing a required course with the new course, GER 2225, and is including language in the catalog to state that it will also be available online. Guest Prisca Augustyn explained that the new verbiage about the online offering matches the catalog’s verbiage for the French and Spanish minors. The Committee asked for confirmation that the minor will still be available in person. She replied that it will still be available in person and now will also be available fully online. The final item for Arts and Letters was CPO 4204, a new course in African Politics that Rep Stollar stated was offered previously as special topics. **The UUPC approved Arts and Letters’ course change, the German minor change and the new course.**

ARH 2000	Art Appreciation	3	Change grading mode to regular grade only	
Program Change	German Minor		Replace a course and add that this minor is also available online	
CPO 4204	African Politics	3	New	

3. Honors College

HC Rep Jim Wetterer asked for the Honors College curriculum discussion on today’s agenda to be postponed to the next month.

4. Library

Library Rep Thomas O’Brien reported that the Library has transitioned the access to its electronic resources from EZProxy to OpenAthens authentication. The transition took place on November 12. NU Rep Kitty Chadwell reported that Nursing has had some trouble accessing the site. Rep O’Brien said people are experiencing some glitches and asked anyone having trouble to report them to the Library so they can be worked out.

5. Science

Guest Jennifer Krill explained that PCB 4832C is a wet lab course in which students learn electrophysiology techniques. This course has now been approved to be offered as research intensive. Students will develop an independent research project based on what they learn in the lab. Donna Chamely-Wiik, director of OURI, confirmed that the course is all set as research intensive. Chair Haky

then introduced the second proposal for Science, EVR 4112. This course is simply adding the Academic Service Learning component. He confirmed that all approvals are in place. **The UUPC approved both course changes.**

EVR 4112 ASL approval	Hazards, Climate and People	3	Add Academic Service Learning component and change description	
PCB 4832C RI approval Neuroscience and Psychology support	Neurophysiology (add RI to the title)	3	Add Research-Intensive component and change title/description	

6. Business, Education, Engineering, Nursing and Social Work and Criminal Justice had no reports.

IV. NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

1. The next UUPC meeting is December 7, 2020, 10 a.m. to noon, via Webex.
2. Steering Meeting dates: <http://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/steering-committee.php>
3. University Faculty Senate meeting dates: <http://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/calendar.php>
4. Chair Haky declared the meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.