

## **Minutes**

Undergraduate Programs Committee Meeting

Dr. Camilla Gant, Presiding

November 17, 2011

2:00 p.m. - Campus Center 105

I. Call to Order

II. Attendance Roll

Members: Jessica Bucholz, Jean Cook, Camilla Gant, Bill Kenyon, Paul Luken, Jim Mayer, Cassie Morgan (alternate for Donna Haley), Faramarz Parsa, LaDonia Patterson, Rebecca Reynolds, Sandra Thompson

Guests: Van Nguyen, Bob Powell, Christopher Tabit

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Approval of October 27, 2011 Minutes

V. Program and Course Proposals

A. College of Arts & Humanities

Course Proposals: No Agenda Items

Program Proposals: No Agenda Items

B. Richard College of Business

Course Proposals: No Agenda Items

Program Proposals: No Agenda Items

C. College of Education

Course Proposals: No Agenda Items

Program Proposals: No Agenda Items

D. School of Nursing

Course Proposals: No Agenda Items

Program Proposals: No Agenda Items

## E. College of Science & Mathematics

### Course Proposals:

1. BIOL 3825 – Research Methods  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
2. CHEM 3825 – Research Methods  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
3. CHEM 4910L - Tools & Applications in Chemical Research & Practice  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
4. MATH 3805 – Functions & Modeling  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
5. MATH 3825 – Research Methods  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
6. PHYS 2211 – Principles of Physics I  
Request: Modify Prerequisite  
Action: Approved
7. PHYS 2212 – Principles of Physics II  
Request: Modify Prerequisite  
Action: Approved
8. PHYS 3825 – Research Methods  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved
9. STEM 3815 - Perspectives on Science & Mathematics  
Request: Add (review attachment)  
Action: Approved

### Program Proposals:

1. Department of Chemistry  
Request: Modify B.A. Chemistry/Secondary Education to satisfy UTEACH requirements (review attachment)  
Action: Tabled; Awaiting requisite COE course approvals

2. Department of Mathematics  
Request: Modify B.S. Mathematics/Secondary Education to satisfy UTEACH requirements (review attachment)  
Action: Tabled; Awaiting requisite COE course approvals
3. Department of Physics  
Request: Modify B.S. Physics/ Secondary Education to satisfy UTEACH requirements (review attachment)  
Action: Tabled; Awaiting requisite COE course approvals

F. College of Social Sciences

Course Proposals: No Agenda Items

Program Proposals: No Agenda Items

- VI. Dr. Camilla Gant asked members to write narratives for SACS Principles assigned to UPC. She stated that each member is expected to be responsible for one principle.
- VII. Dr. Camilla Gant asked members for input regarding what should be the approval chain for substantive changes. Specifically, what constitutes substantive changes that require senate approval? UPC approval only? Departmental approval only? Members concurred that modifications that impact multiple departments/units, or that result in substantive course and program modifications should require senate approval. Dr. Gant asked members to give the issue more reflection and share thoughts at subsequent meeting.
- VIII. In the absence of Dr. Maria Doyle, chair of General Education Committee, Dr. Camilla Gant read her e-mail report (below).

We met on Nov. 2 and discussed criteria for the Critical Thinking Overlay courses. We thought the best strategy would be to identify courses that foreground the critical thinking process prominently in the structure of the course and the learning outcomes. We decided to send out a call to chairs (which you've already seen) indicating the kind of courses that would fit and soliciting proposals for the overlay. The deadline for proposals is Nov. 29, and the committee will meet during finals week to go over them so that we can submit a list to the UAPC for consideration at the January meeting. We also discussed the SACS core principle assigned to the committee (2.7.3); I am following up on some questions the committee had about the documentation we need to provide.

- IX. Adjournment