University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction Year-End Report 2021-2022

Submitted by Kristin Landis-Piwowar, Interim Associate Provost and Chair of UCUI

MEMBERSHIP:

Faculty Appointments

Theresa Anasti (CAS-SOC)

Sarah Beetham (SECS; winter 2022 semester for Richard Olawoyin sabbatical)

Ambika Bhargava (SEHS)

Chhabi Govind (CAS-MS)

Cheryl Jusela (SON)

Yan Li (CAS-HUM)

Roz Nowosielski (SBA)

Richard Olawoyin (SECS; sabbatical in winter 2022)

Melissa Reznar (SHS)

Emily Spunaugle (UL)

Mark Sturtevant (CAS)

Virginia Uhley (SOM)

Student, Staff and Ex-Officio Appointments

Nancy Fetzer (Director, Financial Aid or Designee; added in winter 2022)

Kurtis Kirkpatrick (SECS) (PAC)

Kristin Landis-Piwowar (Interim Associate Provost), CHAIR

Noora Neiroukh

Michele Parkhill Purdie (Director, BIS)

Sara Webb (SVP SA&D Designee)

Tricia Westergaard (Registrar)

Unofficial Contributing Staff

Christy Bryant (Registrar's designee, fall)

Lee Cruppenink (Registrar's designee, winter)

Irene Shabazz (Undergraduate Education)

CHARGES:

1. To recommend to the University Senate academic policies and procedures concerning undergraduate education and, when necessary, seek advice from other appropriate bodies concerning the impact of these policies and procedures;

- a. Policies
 - i. Prior Learning Credits: Expanding on the current policy for purpose of inclusion of adult learners. Approved increasing opportunities to enhance awarding credits.
 - ii. Service Learning Definition (policy) was discussed and approved
 - iii. Final Exam language was updated to clarify the number of final exams that a student takes in a given day.
- b. Procedures
 - i. Change the UCUI charge to add a non-voting member from Financial Aid
 - ii. The need for an update to the UCUI charge was discussed and deferred until the next academic year.
- 2. To evaluate and monitor petitions of exception regarding university-wide undergraduate academic requirements except for university-wide general education requirements;
 - a. NONE
- 3. To prepare an annual report on all petitions of exception to be shared with the Office of the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Registrar, individual Committees on Instruction, and the Senate Planning Review Committee;
 - a. The Registrar presented an analysis of the number of POE's for undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students performed:
 - i. since implementing DegreeWorks (~54,000 for the past 5 years)
 - ii. Completed in 2021 (11,621)
 - iii. Completed at point in time, January 18, 2022 for 2022 (352)
 - iv. And detailed for every major
 - b. Report attached to January 18 minutes
 - c. Deferred for Future Discussion when a draft proposal to change the UCUI charges with the inclusion of Undergraduate Education, Registrar and AA Provost Office involvement.
- 4. To make recommendations to the University Senate regarding proposed and existing undergraduate programs, including recommendations for program modification, suspension, or discontinuance;
 - a. APPROVALS:
 - i. **Modification** to the BS/MS in Safety Management (4+1)
 - ii. New Minor in Communication, Advocacy and Social Justice
 - iii. **Modification** to the Archaeology Minor Program
 - iv. **New** Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S. to Medical Laboratory Science, M.S. (4+1)

- v. **Modification** to Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Computer Science; ZZULI (Zhengzhou University of Light Industry, China) and Oakland University Joint Institute Off-Campus site
- vi. **New** Accelerated Master of Arts in Mathematics (AMAM) Combined Bachelor/Master Degree
- vii. Modification to the Relational Communication Minor
- viii. **Modification** to the Acting, Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A) Program to change the amount of credits required for the degree
- ix. **Modification** of the Dance, B.A. program to increase diverse course offerings and add a required course to the major
- x. **Modification** to the Musical Theatre, B.F.A. Program to change the total number of minimum credit hours for the program
- xi. **Modification** to the Theatre, B.A. Program changing the number of courses in the major
- xii. **Modification** to the Nutrition, B.S. Program to add a course and change degree requirements
- xiii. **Modification** to the Nutrition and Health Minor Program to add a lab course to the minor
- xiv. New Certificate in Dance Education
- xv. **Modification** to reduce minimum credits for the Biomedical Science, B.S.
- xvi. New Archaeology Minor
- xvii. **New** Music Technology Minor-Liberal Arts
- xviii. New Music Technology Minor
 - xix. **Modification** to the Nutrition, B.S., Specialization in Dietetics Program to add a course and change degree requirements
 - xx. **Modification** Communication and Deaf Studies Minor Program to add Regression Policy
 - xxi. **Modification** to the Theatre Design and Technology, B.F.A. Program to change the total number of minimum credit hours for the program
- xxii. **Modification** to the previously approved Health Systems, B.S. Program (2021) name change to Interdisciplinary Healthcare Studies, B.S.
- xxiii. **Modification** to change the name of the Bachelor of Integrative Studies program to Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies
- xxiv. **Modification** to the Actuarial Science B.S., Mathematics to remove and add a course

b. DENIALS:

- i. **Modification** Health Sciences, B.S., Name change to Concentration in Foundational Health
- 5. To advise the Senate Planning Review Committee (SPRC) and the Senate Budget Review Committee (SBRC) concerning proposed new undergraduate

programs and to maintain regular communication with SPRC and SBRC through exchange of minutes;

- a. NONE
- 6. To cooperate with the General Education Committee in overseeing undergraduate instruction throughout the University and to maintain regular communication with that committee through exchange of minutes;
 - a. NONE: Modifications that were reviewed by UCUI and that contained a Gen Ed component were advised to submit those changes to Gen Ed.
- 7. To schedule and monitor decennial reviews of all undergraduate programs in timely fashion and report findings to the Senate Planning Review Committee and the University Senate;
 - a. Program Reviews Presented
 - i. International Studies
 - ii. Writing and Rhetoric
 - iii. Religious Studies
 - b. Program Reviews Scheduled for 2022/2023
 - i. Applied Health Sciences
 - ii. Bioengineering
 - iii. Biological Sciences
 - iv. Communication and Journalism
 - v. Health Sciences
 - vi. Human Resource Development
 - vii. Integrative Studies
 - viii. Linguistics
 - ix. Mathematics and Statistics
- 8. To evaluate ongoing and proposed undergraduate programs for their consistency with University academic policies and mission, to monitor catalog copy to ensure compliance with all such policies; and to monitor all catalog changes impacting outside of the Committee on Instruction making the change;
 - a. For each program modification and new program/certificate/minor proposed, the catalog copy was evaluated.
- 9. To advise the Senate on all matters that body or its Steering Committee may refer to the Undergraduate Committee on University Instruction concerning undergraduate instruction and the general requirements within which the specifics of undergraduate degree programs function.
 - a NONE