

**University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction
Year-End Report
2022-2023**

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

MEMBERSHIP:

Faculty Appointments

Theresa Anasti (CAS-SOC)
Donna Free (SBA)
Chhabi Govind (CAS-MS)
Joshua Haworth (SHS)
Cheryl Jusela (SON)
Yan Li (CAS-HUM)
Richard Olawoyin (SECS; sabbatical in winter 2022)
Sam Rosenthal (CAS)
Sunwoo Shin (SEHS) replacing Ambika Bhargava (SEHS)
Emily Spunaugle (UL)
Virginia Uhley (SOM)

Student, Staff and Ex-Officio Appointments

Jimena Garcia (Student Congress)
Emma Garrett (Student Congress)
Nicole Boelk (Director, Financial Aid or Designee; added in winter 2022)
Melanie Chamberlain (SEHS) (PAC)
Kristin Landis-Piwowar (Interim Associate Provost), CHAIR
Jennifer Condron Thor (BIS)
Sara Webb (SVP SA&D Designee)
Tricia Westergaard (Registrar)

Unofficial Contributing Staff

Mariano Scibilia (Registrar's designee)
Lee Cruppenink (Registrar's designee)
Irene Shabazz (Undergraduate Education)
Liz Kattner (CAS) (General Education Committee)

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. Definition of Undergraduate Major Policy - new policy
 - ii. Definition of Undergraduate Major with Specialization Policy - new policy
 - iii. Definition of Undergraduate Minor Policy - new policy
 - iv. Policy for Undergraduate Credit for Prior Learning - new policy
 - v. Definition of Undergraduate Certificate Policy - new policy

- vi. Definition of Undergraduate Major-dependent Concentration - new policy
- vii. Definition of Undergraduate Concentration - new policy
- viii. OU Bereavement Policy - update policy to apply to both undergraduate and graduate students
- ix. Policy for International Second Degree Seeking Students - modification
- x. Academic Digital Badges Policy - new policy

b. Procedures

- i. Update the charge to change the position of Director of Integrative Studies from the membership due to the university dissolution of this position with the General Chairperson of the Faculty Council for Interdisciplinary Studies.
- ii. Update the charge to change the name Interdisciplinary to Integrative Studies
- iii. General Education Committee Member to attend UCUI as a guest - Support a Gen Ed Committee (GEC) member attending each UCUI meeting as a non-voting guest to address relevant changes to undergraduate as changes would related to general education.

2. To evaluate and monitor petitions of exception regarding university-wide undergraduate academic requirements except for university-wide general education requirements;

- a. A campus committee has been established to review the processes and best determine how to proceed with Petitions of Exceptions; initial meeting on May 25, 2023.

2. 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. A campus committee has been established to review the processes and best determine how to proceed with Petitions of Exceptions; initial meeting on May 25, 2023.

3. To make recommendations to the University Senate regarding proposed and existing undergraduate programs, including recommendations for program modification, suspension, or discontinuance;

a. APPROVALS - New Programs

- i. Cybersecurity B.S. New Program Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- ii. Early Childhood Education, B.S. New Program Proposal, Department of Human Development and Child Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- iii. Proposal for a new Bachelor of Science in Data Science, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- iv. Proposal for a new Integrated Science, B.A. Program; Department of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences
- v. Proposal for a new Artificial Intelligence Program; Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science

b. APPROVALS - Closed Programs:

- i. Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (BALS) Proposal to end the program based upon a review of the program and enrollment trends; Liberal Studies Program, College of Arts and Sciences

- ii. Undergraduate Piano Pedagogy Certificate Proposal to end the certificate program as it has never had any students; Department of Music, School of Music Theatre and Dance, College of Arts and Sciences - Beth Dawson
- iii. Japanese Language and Literature Minor Proposal to end the minor program due to low student enrollment; Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences

c. APPROVALS - Modifications to Programs:

- i. Modified Major in Chinese Program to add “Chinese” to the existing Modified Major in a Modern Language, Dept of Modern Languages and Literatures (CAS)
- ii. Communication Minor, Program Modification to remove a course no longer offered and replace with a course that will satisfy the general education requirement, Dept. of Communication & Journalism (CAS)
- iii. Combined Mechanical Engineering BSE/MS Proposal to (1) retain top undergraduate students at Oakland University, and (2) bolster the department's research productivity; Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science This program was approved by UCUI on 9/20/22 but returned to UCUI by Graduate Council because of content that was out of policy.
- iv. Modification to the Studio Art, B.A. Program to delete the following specializations: Drawing, Arts/Tech/Sculpture, Painting and Photography; Department of Art and Art History, College of Arts and Sciences
- v. Computer Science, Combined B.S. and M.S. Program Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- vi. Computer Science, B.S. Cybersecurity, M.S., Combined B.S. and M.S. Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- vii. Information Technology, B.S. Computer Science, M.S., Combined B.S. and M.S. Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- viii. Information Technology, B.S. Cybersecurity, M.S., Combined B.S. and M.S. Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- ix. Computer Science, B.S. Software Engineering and Information Technology, M.S., Combined B.S. and M.S. Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- x. Information Technology, B.S. Software Engineering and Information Technology, M.S., Combined B.S. and M.S. Modification Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- xi. Artificial Intelligence Minor Proposal for a new minor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- xii. Computer Science, B.S., Specialization in Artificial Intelligence Proposal for a new specialization, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- xiii. Information Technology, B.S., Specialization in System Administration Proposal for a new specialization, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science

- xiv. Business Analytics Combined B.S. and M.S. Proposal for the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog, Department of Decision and Information Sciences, School of Business Administration
- xv. Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Pre-Physician Assistant Proposal, Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences
- xvi. Communication B.A. and Journalism B.A. Rubric Change Proposal, Department of Communication and Journalism, College of Arts and Sciences
- xvii. Applied Health Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Orthotics and Prosthetics Assistant Studies Modification Proposal, Department of Public and Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences
- xviii. Applied Health Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Radiologic Technology Leadership Proposal, Department of Public and Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences
- xix. Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, B.S., Specialization in Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program, Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences
- xx. AP African American Studies be awarded a course code of TRC 1XXX with a score of 3 or higher as this is new course recognized by College Board; Registrar's Office
- xxi. Clinical and Diagnostic Studies, B.S., Radiologic Technology Modification Proposal making several revisions to the current curriculum that will better meet students' needs and accreditation standards; Department of Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences, School of Health Sciences
- xxii. Modification to revise the title of Human Resources Management to Human Resource Management, removing the "s" to correct the grammar proposal; Department of Human Resources Management, School of Business Administration
- xxiii. Modification to the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies program easing course requirements for students to allow General Education courses to double count for the major proposal; Department of Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies
- xxiv. Modification to adjust courses to meet new state certification requirements for STEP and to rename English, STEP to English Language Arts, B.A., Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) proposal; Department of English, College of Arts and Sciences and Teacher Development and Educational Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- xxv. Modification to adjust courses to meet new state certification requirements for STEP and to separate the program name Mathematics, B.A./B.S. program to create a Mathematics, B.S., Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) to provide greater clarity for students proposal; Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences and Teacher Development and Educational Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- xxvi. Modification to adjust courses to meet new state certification requirements for STEP and to separate the program name Mathematics, B.A./B.S. program to create a Mathematics, B.A., Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) to provide greater clarity for students proposal; Department of Mathematics and Statistics, College of Arts and Sciences and Teacher Development and Educational Studies, School of Education and Human Services

- xxvii. Modification to adjust courses to meet new state certification requirements for STEP and to rename History, STEP to Integrated Social Studies with History Major, B.A., Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) proposal; Department of History, College of Arts and Sciences and Educational Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- xxviii. Modification to add and delete courses to the Medical Physics, B.S. program proposal; Department of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxix. Modification to add and delete courses to the Medical Physics, B.S. program proposal; Department of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxx. Modification to the Latin American Language and Civilization, B.A. program; Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxi. Modification to the Health Communication Minor program; Department of Communication and Journalism, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxii. Modification to the Spanish Language and Literature, B.A. program; Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxiii. Modification to the Latin American Language and Civilization, B.A. program; Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxiv. Modification to Journalism B.A. Proposal to remove this major to be replaced with 3 B.A. programs with specializations that are updated to be more relevant to incoming students; Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxv. Journalism and Media Studies, B.A., Specialization in Broadcasting and Digital Media Practice Proposal; Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxvi. Journalism and Media Studies, B.A., Specialization in Journalism and Emerging Media Proposal; Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxvii. Journalism and Media Studies, B.A., Specialization in Media and Society Proposal; Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxviii. Modification to the Communication, B.A. program proposal to make our majors more attractive and meaningful to students, better organize and modernize both disciplinary and department developments over the past decade and offer our students a greater chance to explore their individual interests and professional goals within their degree; Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations, College of Arts and Sciences
- xxxix. Modification to the Modern Language, Modified, with Select Majors and Minors to change its name to Modern Language, Additional Major; Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College Arts and Sciences
- xl. Request to add the Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL Certificate) to Banner, update the title to TESOL, and add one required course as the certificate has existed since 2000 and is listed in the UG catalog to allow validation via official transcription; Department of Linguistics, College of Arts and Sciences
- xli. Modification to the Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Minor Proposal; Department of Linguistics, College of Arts and Sciences

- xlii. Modification to the Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) PreK-12 Minor Proposal for the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog to meet the new MDE requirements (renaming the program, adding and removing courses); Department of Linguistics, College of Arts and Sciences
- xliii. Proposal for a Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) Combined Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) to a Masters of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education (M.A.T.S.E.) for the 2023-24 Undergraduate Catalog which reflects the new State certification requirements, Departments of English, History, Mathematics, Physics; College of Arts and Sciences AND Department of Teacher Development and Child Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- xliv. Wellness and Health Promotion, B.S. Modification Proposal to change its name to Public Health, B.S. with a Specialization in Wellness and Health Promotion and modify courses keeping the required 120 total credits; Department of Public & Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences
- xlv. Wellness and Health Promotion, B.S. to Accelerated Second Degree BSN Pathway Modification Proposal to change its name to Public Health, B.S. to Accelerated Second Degree BSN Pathway; Department of Public & Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences
- xlvi. Wellness and Health Promotion, B.S. to Master of Public Health (MPH) Dual Degree Plan Modification Proposal to change its name to Public Health, B.S. -Public Health, MPH, Combined B.S. - MPH; Department of Public & Environmental Wellness, School of Health Sciences

d. DENIALS / DEFERRALS:

- i. Mechanical Engineering - Combined BSE/MS (Updated) Proposal for a new combined program to retain top undergraduate students at Oakland University and bolster the department's research productivity; Department of Mechanical Engineering, School of Computer Science and Engineering. **As noted above, this program was approved by UCUI on 9/20/22 but returned to UCUI by Graduate Council because of content that was out of policy.**

4. 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. Cybersecurity B.S. New Program Proposal, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- b. Early Childhood Education, B.S. Proposal, Department of Human Development and Child Studies, School of Education and Human Services
- c. Proposal for a new Bachelor of Science in Data Science, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, School of Engineering and Computer Science
- d. Proposal for a new Integrated Science, pre-Secondary Education, B.A. Program; Department of Physics, College of Arts and Sciences

5. 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. The General Education Committee added an ex officio member to UCUI to provide feedback to UCUI and to inform the General Education Committee about proceedings in UCUI.

6. 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 2023

- i. Linguistics
- ii. Interdisciplinary Health Sciences

b. Program Reviews Scheduled for 2023/2024

- i. Applied Health Sciences (2023)
- ii. Art & Art History (2024)
- iii. Biochemistry (2024)
- iv. Bioengineering (2023)
- v. Biological Sciences (2023)
- vi. Chemistry and Environmental Sciences (2024)
- vii. Clinical and Diagnostic Sciences (2024)
- viii. Communication and Journalism (2023)
- ix. History (2024)
- x. Human Resource Development (2023)
- xi. Integrative Studies (2023)
- xii. Mathematics and Statistics (2023)
- xiii. Nursing (2024)
- xiv. Philosophy (2024)
- xv. Political Science (2024)
- xvi. Psychology (2024)
- xvii. Sociology, Anthropology, Social Work & Criminal Justice (2024)
- xviii. Teacher Development & Educational Studies (2024)
- xix. Wellness and Health Promotion (2024)

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