



**Minutes  
Academic Council  
May 5, 2020**

Date Approved: September 1, 2020

**Present:** *Mike Godard, Doug Koch, Nathan Bullock, Alberto Dávila, Tamela Randolph, Barbara Glackin, Joe Pujol, Sandy Hinkle, Gillian Nicholls, Elizabeth Rudloff, Bev Evans, Chris Rieger, Amber Cook, Alison Whiteford-Damerall, Rhonda Weller-Stilson, Jingjing Tong, Hamner Hill*

**Absent:** (none)

**Guests:** *Tammy Howell, Charles McAllister,*

**A. MINUTES:**

Motion by Hill, second by Weller-Stilson, to approve the distributed minutes from the April 7, 2020 Academic Council meeting. Approved unanimously.

**B. ACTION ITEMS:**

**New Programs** – *(none)*

**Addition of Minor** –

**1. Holland College of Arts and Media**

- Department of Music
  - Minor in Jazz Studies

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Glackin, to consider the new minor. Weller-Stilson explained the details of the proposal. Discussion followed. Motion approved by vote.

**Other** –

**1. Holland College of Arts and Media**

- Department of Art & Design
  - Human Environmental Studies: Interior Design → Interior Design – Program Title & CIP Code change previously approved at November 5 Academic Council – need to reduce 130 credit hours to 120 credit hours.

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Glackin, to consider the revision to the program. Weller-Stilson and Koch explained the details of the proposed revision. Motion approved by vote.

**2. College of Humanities and Social Sciences**

- Department of History and Anthropology
  - MA: Public History: Digital Heritage Option – Name and curriculum revision

Motion by Hill, second by Pujol, to consider the revision to the Option. Koch explained the details of the proposal. Motion approved by vote.

Motion by Glackin, second by Davila to move the Graduate Certificate in Cybersecurity (Department of Computer Science) from a tabled item to an action item. Motion approved by vote.

3. **Harrison College of Business & Computing**
  - a. Department of Computer Science.

McAllister explained the details of the proposal. He anticipates a unique undergraduate certificate at some point in the future.

Motion by Davila, second by Weller-Stilson, to approve the Graduate Certificate. Motion approved by vote.

C. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

1. **College of Humanities and Social Sciences**

- Department of History & Anthropology
  - Global Studies Minor – Curriculum Revision
  - BA: Global Cultures and Languages: Anthropology Option – Curriculum Revision
- Department of History and Anthropology
  - BSEd in Social Studies Education - Revision of degree program

2. **College of Education, Health, and Human Studies**

- Leadership, Middle & Secondary Education
  - SE316 - Techniques of Teaching Technology Education – Course Termination
- Psychology & Counseling
  - MA in Mental Health - Program Changes
  - MA in School Counseling - Program Changes
- Department of Kinesiology, Nutrition & Recreation
  - Coaching Minor – Revision
  - BS: Health Management - Curriculum Revisions
  - BS: Sport Management - Curriculum Revisions

3. *Proposed New Courses and Significant Course Revisions: (proposed courses are currently submitted for or recently completed 10-day review)*

- Harrison College of Business and Computing
  - Department of Marketing
    - BL563 *Advanced Business Law*
- Holland College of Arts & Media
  - Department of Music
    - MU251 *Jazz Improvisation I*
    - MU320 *Jazz Improvisation II*
    - MU324 *Jazz Theory and Analysis*
    - MU327 *Jazz History*
    - MU329 *Jazz Combo*
    - MH310 *American Musical Experience*
    - MH328 *Native American Music*
    - MH392 *The Age of Romanticism*
    - MH393 *The Age of Modernism*
    - MH394 *Music and Culture: 1600-1750*
    - MH396 *The Age of Beethoven*
    - MH397 *Music in Medieval and Renaissance Culture*
    - MH402 *Music in World Cultures*
  - Department of Art & Design
    - AH411 *Historiography and Methods of Research in Art History*
    - AH490 *Senior Capstone*
- College of Education, Health, and Human Studies
  - Department of Nursing
    - NC371 *Fundamentals Clinical*
  - Department of Psychology and Counseling

- AB535 *Principles in Psychopharmacology*
  - AB605 *Research and Practice in Applied Behavior Analysis I*
  - AB608 *Research and Practice in Applied Behavior Analysis III*
  - AB435 *Introduction to Behavior Analysis*
  - PY496 *Historical Survey of Psychology*
- Department of Child and Family Studies
  - CF520 *Professional Ethics and Practice*
- College of Humanities and Social Sciences
  - Department of History & Anthropology
    - US502 *America since 1920*
    - AN182 *Introduction to Archaeology*
  - Department of Communication Studies and Modern Languages
    - FL300 *History through Literature: Stalin's Hunger Games*

D. **DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER:**

- WP003 - Koch discussed the plan to eliminate WP003 as a requirement beginning Fall 2020. We will move to an authentic assessment process. We will collect samples of assignments that students complete to perform that assessment. Courses will be identified in each program that focus on writing at a culminating level and selecting a high-level course writing assignment, likely within the primary discipline. We will draw samples from LMS and then rank and score them to perform the assessment.
- Curriculum Proposal Process for New Items and Name Changes  
Godard and Koch presented a new step that may be incorporated into the curriculum approval process. Currently, proposals are being submitted without justification for the new program, option or course. The plan is to add a step before the department level to help faculty add justification, by working with the Vice Provost to get feedback before it goes to other committees and councils. We will need to identify target market for new programs; include cost data since MDHE requires it, along with revenue information
- Alison Whiteford-Damerall will be taking a new leadership role as Interim Department Chair of Psychology and Counseling beginning July 1.

Meeting adjourned.

On May 11, 2020, an electronic vote was held on a motion to approve replacing the WP003 with an authentic assessment process. 11 voted in favor, none were opposed. The motion was approved.

**Next Meeting – September 1, 2020**

**Agenda Items Due: August 23, 2020**