



**Minutes  
Academic Council  
February 2, 2021**

Date Approved: March 3, 2021

**Present:** *Mike Godard, Elizabeth Rudloff, Gillian Nicholls, Chris Haug, Mel Odegard-Koester, Tamela Randolph, Alberto Dávila, Sandy Hinkle, Rhonda Weller-Stilson, Barbara Glackin, Nathan Bullock, Kevin Musgrave, Jingjing Tong, Erin Fluegge, Doug Koch*

**Absent:** *Julie Twidwell, Joe Pujol*

**Guests:** *Tammy Howell, Judy Wiles, Kevin Dickson, Julie Ray, Hamner Hill, Steven Stovall, Jayanti Ray*

**A. MINUTES:**

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Nicholls, to approve the distributed minutes from the December 1, 2020 Academic Council meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

**B. ACTION ITEMS:**

**New Programs** – *(none)*

**Addition of Minor** – *(none)*

**Other** – *(none)*

1. College of Education, Health, and Human Studies

a. Communication Disorders

- i. Program Change: BS in Communication Disorders – Course Changes, Remove Minor requirement, retention requirement.

Jayanti Ray described the revisions. Motion by Glackin, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the motion for the revisions to the BS in Communication Disorders. Discussion followed. Motion amended by Glackin, to exclude the change in Retention Requirement, second by Haug. Motion approved unanimously.

- ii. Program Change: MA in Communication Disorders – New Course, Course Changes

Jayanti Ray described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion by Odegard-Koester, second by Nicholls, to consider and approve the motion for revisions to the MA in Communication Disorders. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Elementary, Early & Special Education

- i. Program Change: MA in Elementary Education: Reading Emphasis; Special Reading K-12 Certificate Program – Course Changes

Motion by Dávila, second by Odegard Koester, to consider and approve the motion for the revisions to the MA in Elementary Education: Reading Emphasis option and Special Reading K-12 Certificate Program. Julie Ray described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

2. Holland College of Arts and Media

a. Theatre & Dance

- i. Program Change (Title Change): Minor in “Theatre: General” → Minor in “Theatre”

Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Haug, to consider and approve the motion for title change for the Minor in Theatre: General to Minor in Theatre. Weller-Stilson described the change. Discussion followed. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Harrison College of Business and Computing

a. Marketing

- i. Program Change (Title Change): Option in “Integrated Marketing Communications” → Option in “Digital and Integrated Marketing Communications” (Marketing Major)

Judy Wiles described the change. Discussion followed. Motion by Glackin, second by Bullock, to consider and approve the motion for the title change for the Option in Integrated Marketing Communications for the Marketing Major to Option in Digital and Integrated Marketing Communications. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Management

- i. Program Change: MBA Program – Prerequisite/Admission changes

Gillian Nicholls described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion by Weller-Stilson, second by Nicholls, to consider and approve the motion for revisions to the MBA Program admission policy and prerequisites. Motion approved unanimously.

- ii. Program Change: BSBA Entrepreneurship – Course Changes

Steve Stovall described the revisions. Discussion followed. Motion by Glackin, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the motion for revisions to the BSBA Entrepreneurship. Motion approved unanimously.

4. College of Humanities and Social Sciences

a. History & Anthropology

- i. Program Change: BSED in Social Studies – Course Changes

Mel Odegard-Koester described the revisions. Motion by Dávila, second by Weller-Stilson, to consider and approve the motion for revisions to the BSED in Social Studies. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Political Science, Philosophy & Religion

- i. Program Change: BS in Political Science – Course Changes  
ii. Program Change: BA in Political Science – Course Changes

Hamner Hill described the revisions. Motion by Dávila, second by Randolph, to consider and approve the motion for revisions to the BS and BA in Political Science. Motion approved unanimously.

**C. Tabled Items:** (*none*)

**D. INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- Proposed New Courses and Significant Course Revisions: (*proposed courses are currently submitted for or recently completed 10-day review*)
  - College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
    - 1. Department of Engineering & Technology
      - a. EG412 Industrial Capstone Projects – *New Course*
      - b. MN412 Industrial Capstone Projects – *Title Change*
      - c. MN512 Industrial Capstone Projects – *Title Change*
      - d. TN295 Firewall Management – *New Course*
      - e. ET384 UAS Law, Policy and Safety – *New Course*
  - Harrison College of Business and Computing
    - 2. Department of Management
      - a. BA601 Graduate Business Statistics Essentials Course – *New Course*

- b. BA602 Graduate Business Accounting Essentials – *New Course*
- c. BA603 Graduate Business Microeconomics Essentials – *New Course*
- d. BA604 Graduate Business Finance Essentials – *New Course*
- e. BA605 Graduate Business Information Systems Essentials – *New Course*
- f. BA606 Graduate Business Student Onboarding Course – *New Course*
- g. ER461 New Product Development and Innovation Management – *Course Change*
- 3. Department of Marketing
  - a. MK443 Digital and Integrated Marketing Communications Practicum – *Title Change*
  - b. MK555 Digital Marketing Strategies – *Title Change*
- College of Education, Health, and Human Studies
  - 4. Department of Communication Disorders
    - a. CD404 Clinical Applications in Speech-Language Pathology – *New Course*
    - b. CD413 Written Language Disorders: Reading, Writing, and Spelling – *New Course*
    - c. CD480 Neuroanatomy and Neurophysiology for Speech and Hearing – *New Course*
    - d. CD484 Introduction to Neurogenic Disorders – *New Course*
    - e. CD502 Communication Technology – *New Course*
    - f. CD608 Clinical Methods in Speech-Language Pathology – *New Course*
    - g. CD616 Literacy Essentials for Speech-Language Pathologists – *New Course*
    - h. CD653 Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing Disorders – *New Course*
    - i. CD659 Speech and Language Services for Special Populations – *New Course*
    - j. CD661 Speech and Language Services for Special Populations – *Course Revision*
    - k. CD683 Research & Professional Topics in Communication Sciences and Disorders – *New Course*
    - l. CD685 Professional Topics in Communication Sciences and Disorders – *New Course*
    - m. CD695 Thesis in Communication Disorders – *Course Change*
    - n. CD230 Introduction to Communication Disorders – *Course Change*
    - o. CD390 Counseling Individuals with Communication Disorders – *New Course*
  - 5. Department of Elementary, Early, and Special Education
    - a. EX602 Language Acquisition of the Child with Exceptional Learning Needs – *Course & Title Change*
    - b. EL648 Dyslexia and Reading Disabilities – *New Course*
    - c. EL611 Emergent Literacy Learners Practicum – *Course & Title Change*
    - d. EL623 Intermediate and Upper level Literacy Learners Practicum – *Course & Title Change*
    - e. EL624 Literacy Leadership – *Course Change*
    - f. EL647 Diagnosis and Correction of Reading Difficulties – *Course & Title Change*
  - 6. Department of Kinesiology, Nutrition, and Recreation
    - a. PE216 Theory and Practice of Team Sports – *Course Change*
    - b. PE217 Theory and Practice of Individual/Dual Lifetime Activities – *Course Change*
  - 7. Department of Psychology & Counseling
    - a. PY317 Human Sexuality – *Prefix Change*

## **E. DISCUSSION ITEMS/OTHER:**

- Process for lower-level curriculum changes related to Academic Prioritization.

Dr. Godard would like there to be a streamlined approach for small changes to handle all the changes. Send changes to Doug Koch first to assess whether a change is minor. Perhaps changes are an informational item, or emails to the Academic Council. Consistency in format between proposals for ease of review. Bullet points, checklists, side-by-side, short justification. Doug and Sandy will meet about what a timeline will be to make changes for Fall. A notice will go out to all faculty. Look at parameters for items that could be expedited.

- Academic Prioritization: Phase II

Dr. Godard will be communicating out to all faculty soon an additional update. Encouraging departments to think about transformation and enhancements to get moving on those changes.

MDHEWD has approved our MS in Nutrition and certificates in Psych Mental Health and Nurse Practitioner; and has recognized our Phase I deletions.

Sandy Hinkle has been processing updates from MDHEWD. Let her know if any issues with changes in degree maps.

Meeting adjourned.

**Next Meeting – March 2, 2021 via Zoom**

**Agenda Items Due for consideration: February 19, 2021**