

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
Undergraduate Council
Minutes of January 24th, 2011

Present: Michael LeVan (Chair), Jay Coble , Ken Christensen, Kay Perrin, Chad Michaels, Erwin Johanningmeier, Jennifer Bosson, Thomas Pluckhan, Matrell Everett

Absent: Laura Gonzalez (excused), Brianne Stanback (excused)

Guests/Ex Officio: Janet Moore (UGS), Michael Kanning (UGS), Verna Glenn (Registrar), Robert Forsythe, Jackie Nelson, Ruth Tilden

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm.

1. The minutes of January 10th, 2011 were approved.
2. Announcements
 - a) Chair LeVan reminded the council that the deadline for submitting catalog changes to Undergraduate Studies was approaching.
3. Old Business
 - a) Chair LeVan brought the following non-substantive changes to the council for approval via consent agenda: CCJ3701, CCJ4934, INT3004, INT3122, SPA3004, SPA3011, SPA3030, SPA3310. These were **approved**.
3. New Business
 - a) College of Business minimum GPA entry requirement – The College of Business is at capacity, with about 5,000 enrolled undergraduates. This is creating problems with space limitations in core courses and associated time-to-degree delays. A minimum GPA requirement will be progressively implemented to reduce incoming enrollments annually, aiming for a final reduction in size of 20-25%. HCC is currently developing business programs that can accommodate students who are unable to meet the new GPA requirements. The motion was **approved** unanimously.
 - b) Chair LeVan discussed the procedure for reviewing new course proposals with the council. A decision was made to clearly distinguish the need for course objectives and course outcomes on the New Course Proposal form. A motion was made and **passed** to make this change to the form.
4. Course/curriculum proposals
 - a) New course proposals
 - i. **CHT 3103 – Traditional Chinese Literature in Translation** - CHT3103 is a general survey of traditional Chinese literature from the beginnings to the Qing Dynasty (1911). Major genres including philosophical texts, poetry, fiction, drama, and prose are explored in English translation. Course was **approved**.
 - ii. **PET 3076 – Fitness Across the Lifespan** - This course will focus on the physiological changes of physical activity in children, adolescents and the elderly. Clinical rotations are part of the course. Restricted to majors. Cannot be repeated. Course was **approved**.
 - iii. **PET 4380 – Applied Exercise Science** - This course will explore the application of physiological and kinesiological principles to teaching physical education. Specific changes and adaptations of children as a result of exercise will be examined. Restricted to majors. Not repeatable. Course was **approved**.
 - iv. **FIN 4533 – Financial Options & Futures** - This course covers financial futures and options markets, the fundamental properties and pricing principles of these instruments, as well as hedging and risk management strategies using such instruments. The course is not repeatable for credit. Course was **approved**.
 - v. **FIN 4560 – Applied Securities Analysis** - In this course students manage a portfolio of real money, which provides them hands-on experiences in stock analyses, decision making, and effective communication. Students also network with investment professionals. Repeatable for up to 6 credit hours. Course was **approved**.

- vi. **COM 4370 – Communication and Love** - Examines concepts, philosophy, and theories of love in connection with communication skills. Majors only; others by permission of instructor. Course was **approved**.
- vii. **COM 4958 – Communication Senior Capstone** - This capstone course for the Communication major features projects linking theory to practice, real world communication situations, and critical analysis of audiences and issues. Senior standing. For majors only. Course was **approved**.
- viii. **CDA 4621 – Control of Mobile Robots** - Mobile Robotic Control Systems design and implementation. Includes microcontroller, sensor, and actuator control processes for localization and navigation. Team project development of software interface for robot control. Course was **approved**.
- ix. **ENC 3335 – Rhetorical Theory for Technical Communication** - This course provides undergraduates exposure to key rhetorical theorists and concepts, placing special emphasis on the relationships between rhetor, audience, context, and medium. This course is open to all students and is not restricted or repeatable. Course was **approved**.
- x. **ISM 4XXX – Information Security and IT Risk Management** - Senior standing, all majors. Introduction to information security and IT risk management in organizations. Covers essential IT general controls and frameworks to assess IT risk in a business environment. Course was **approved**.
- xi. **HUM 4822 – Film & Media Theory** - This advanced introduction to film and media theory offers students sophisticated tools for thinking critically and creatively about motion pictures and the psychological, cultural, political, and historical meanings they engender. Course was **approved**.

b) Curriculum proposals

- i. **Exercise Science BS Changes** – The nature and justification for these changes was not clear based upon the available documentation, therefore a decision on these changes was **tabled** until more information is received.
- ii. **Social Work Changes** – Raises grade requirement in required coursework (SOW3303 and SOW3210) to a “B” so as to reduce size of incoming class. Changes were **approved**.
- iii. **Criminology Changes** – CCJ4934 will no longer be open to criminal justice majors only. A “C” or higher will now be required in Research methods and CCJ3701. Changes were **approved**.

5. Review Assignments

- i. SPA4257 – Adult Communication Disorders (Bosson)
- ii. Communication Sciences and Disorders/Language, Speech and Hearing program changes (LeVan)

The next meeting will be on February 14th in SVC 2080. The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 pm.