

Undergraduate Academic Council Minutes

Meeting: Wednesday, March 9th 2:30-3:30PM
Room: Campus Center 370

Present: Maria Brown, Lana Cable, Yu-Hui Chen, Greg Denbeaux, Steven Doellefeld, Sue Faerman, Steven Guarneri (undergraduate student rep.), Martin Hildebrand, JoAnne Malatesta (Chair), Joan Savitt, Hany Shawky, Christy Smith, Kabel Stanwicks, Michael Steklou (graduate student rep.), and Katherine Trent.

Guests: Karen Chico Hurst, Sue Phillips, and Greg Stevens.

Chair's Report: The Chair introduced David Bassono, he was a guest at the meeting to observe the Council. Additionally, the Chair introduced a new undergraduate student representative from the Student Senate, Steven Guarneri. The Chair reported that in response to the query sent to Deans on Feb. 21st, she has received some responses from most departments and schools with the exception of CNSE, EDU and Public Health. Those responses have been forwarded to the General Education Committee.

Old Business:

1) General Education Proposal: Council members asked to review the feedback that has been received and the Chair indicated that she will send an email with the departments/schools responses.

2) Policy evaluation of who can serve as an advisor for UNI390:

The Council continued discussion on the request by the Committee on Interdisciplinary Studies regarding clarification in determining who is eligible to serve as an advisor for UNI390.

The Council amended the most recent draft of the course

description and the UNI390 application. UAC held a preliminary vote to approve as amended and the vote was unanimously in favor. The Chair will circulate the final draft to the Council and then submit to the Senate for final approval.

Working Groups report:

Committee on Curriculum and Honors: The Chair noted that they still have a number of proposals to review. They have received a new proposal from the Asian Studies department.

Committee on General Education: The Chair summarized the responses she has received to our query regarding the report of the General Education Task Force. Additionally, the Chair relayed the discussions and thoughts of the General Education Committee as they work to draft a proposal.

Committee on Interdisciplinary Studies: The chair brought a copy of the UNI 390 application guidelines for members to review in conjunction with the revised course description approved earlier in the meeting.

Committee on Academic Standing (Sub-Committee of CAAS): No report.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm