

University Undergraduate Core Committee

(Wed), November 18, 2020

Remote

9:30 am – 11:00 am

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Anne McCabe, Sheri Anderson, Kim Druschel, Michael Swartwout, Kyle Crews, Lauren Arnold, Ginge Kettenbach, Ellen Crowell, Bryan Sokol, Gary Barker, Steve Sanchez, Peggy Dotson, Marissa Cope, Dan Kozlowski, Elena Bray Speth, Paul Lynch, Heather Bednarek, Jessica Leonard, Renee Davis, John James, Bobby Wassel, Atria Larson, Nathaniel Rivers, Wynne Moskop, David Kaplan, Dannielle Davis, Steve Schoenig, Sophia Izhar, Laura Rettig

1) Call to Order and Announcements

- 12/9/20 will be the last full UUCC meeting of the Fall 2020 semester; we resume on 1/27/21 with a 9am-11am timeframe (2 full hours / once per month)
- Approval of UUCC minutes (Paper one: 10/28/20)—approved

2) Discussion: Request from GSA that the UUCC amend its bylaws to add a permanent position in full UUCC for a grad rep.

- UUCC discussed this; recognized that graduate students will be teaching some but not all parts of the Core.
- UUCC recommended that instead of an alteration to bylaws, we have Associate Directors of subcommittees that oversee parts of the Core with grad TA involvement work with GSA to identify adhoc subcommittee members where appropriate
- Subcomm chairs would then be able to work with grad student subcommittee reps to know when an invitation to the GSA for a rep to come to individual UUCC monthly meetings as a guest would be germane to the conversation at hand

3) HLC accreditation update: Steve Sanchez

- HLC mandates that all University curriculum committees receive annual updates on accreditation. HLC full 10-year accreditation visit is happening Nov. 2021.
- HLC full 10-year accreditation process is happening now
- On-Campus Site Visit 11/15&16/2021

4) Discussion: Second draft: Core Guidance Statement (paper three)

- Some UUCC members expressed concern that the guidance statement is written for CAS, without proper consideration of how the language will be understood in other colleges and schools.
- UUCC members discussed changes to both language and structure that would better address concerns of all colleges / schools regarding how Core will be intertwined with program requirements.
- Group stressed need to advise in statement that units seeking to revise program requirements such that they merge with new Core need to be reaching out to ADs of Core component areas and their UUCC representatives to avoid approval delays.
- Agreed that a group of UUCC reps from non-CAS units would meet to revise prior to revisiting document for approval at 12/9/20 UUCC meeting

5) Discussion: DRAFT Undergraduate Curricular Fellows program and timeline (paper four)

- SGA rep expressed enthusiasm for plan, but voiced concern that student voices not get lost in faculty-heavy committees. UCC discussed this, and felt that because subcomms are much smaller than the full UCC, this would be less of a concern.
- UCC provisionally discussed both call for applications (timeframe, content) and application process (who would sit on committee to make decisions about student applications)
- Madrid representative observed that Madrid subcomm already has two student representatives. If the group of students appointed meets once / month, the Madrid reps should be included

6) Adjourn