

**Members present:** Eric Hanne, AL; Julia Higgs, BA; Fred Bloetscher, EG; Lawrence Mello, Library; Clarene Brown-King, NU; Korey Sorge, SC; Sigal Rubin, SJ; Debra Szabo, Provost’s Office; Dan Meeroff, Undergraduate Studies; Mary Ann Gosser, University Honors Council; Sipai Klein, Writing Across Curriculum; Marie Claire DeMassi, University Registrar; Maria Jennings, Registrar’s Office.

**Guests:** Dalel Bader, University Advising Services; Dorrان Glasser, University Advising Services; Yaouen Fily, Honors College; Elizabeth Kennedy, University Advising Services; Francis Lyn, Architecture; David Menachof, Information Technology and Operations Management; Sheena Orr, Professional Studies Program.

The meeting, virtual as well as in-person, was called to order at 10:09 a.m.

**I. ELECTION OF CHAIR, APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

After welcoming the representatives and guests, the first order of business was to elect a UUPC chair for 2024-2025. Dr. Korey Sorge, UUPC Chair for the 2023-2024 year, expressed his interest in continuing to serve as chair and welcomed other nominations for chair. There being no other nominations, a motion was made and seconded to elect Korey Sorge to serve as chair for 2024-2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Sorge thanked the group for their vote and went into approval of the minutes from the April 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. He asked if there were any corrections and/or additions. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

Undergraduate Studies Dean Dan Meeroff commended the Office of Admissions for the large and high-achieving Fall 2024 FTIC class, adding that next year’s class is expected to be slightly larger and come in with even higher admissions standards. The other announcement pertained to all the changes that have been made to FAU’s General Education Curriculum. Dean Meeroff announced that as he shared in the spring, the Intellectual Foundations Program, what FAU’s General Education courses have been known as for many years, is now called the General Education Curriculum per requirements from the state. Any mentions of Intellectual Foundations or IFP throughout the University should be changed to the General Education Curriculum.

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. University-Wide**

Dean Meeroff presented two policy updates. He explained there is an internal committee in Undergraduate Studies that is reviewing policy language in the catalog and providing clearer verbiage as needed. The committee also compares FAU’s policies with the same policies at other state institutions. The Repeat Course Surcharge and the Return After Dismissal policies were cleaned up and/or strengthened, approved by the Undergraduate Studies Associate Deans’ Committee, and now being presented to UUPC. After a brief discussion, **the UUPC approved the policy updates.**

<a href="#">Policy Change</a>	Repeat Course Surcharge	Clarification of policy language
<a href="#">Policy Change</a>	Return After Dismissal	Clarification of policy language

**2. Arts and Letters**

Eric Hanne, representing Arts and Letters, introduced Francis Lyn, associate director of the Architecture program, to present one item concerning the Bachelor of Architecture. Guest Lyn explained the program would like to increase the GPA for priority consideration admission into the upper division for its Florida

transfer students from a 3.2 to a 3.5 GPA. Chair Sorge asked about the program’s move to be more selective? Guest Lyn replied that being a limited access program, Architecture is trying to receive a stronger pool of candidates. He added that last year’s average GPA was 3.68, so this GPA increase is just a step in the direction of a stronger applicant pool, which is already occurring. **The UUPC approved the Architecture GPA change.**

<a href="#">Program Change</a>	B.Arch. in Architecture	Increase GPA for priority consideration admission into the upper division
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### 3. Business

BA Rep Julia Higgs introduced David Menachof to present the courses for Information Technology and Operations Management (ITOM). Guest Menachof shared that the department proposes removing the prerequisite for ISM 3116 because it is no longer necessary and, in turn, this will allow greater flexibility for students to enroll in the class. Then he presented a new course, ISM 4432, which showcases the business side of Artificial Intelligence. He added that there has been great interest in this course, and it received support from Computer Engineering. Chair Sorge asked if the new course is an elective and needs to be included in the curriculum for the major. Guest Menachof replied that it is an elective but does not need to be listed. **The UUPC approved the course change and new course.**

Rep Higgs presented the remaining proposals. The GEB course title and description changes are due to evolving content. The new course covers a topic that has been missing in the Economics offerings. The Management courses involve an update to titles and/or descriptions also due to evolving content and a prerequisite update. She added that Management has been taking a hard look at how courses are fitting in their curriculum and these changes are a result of that review. **The UUPC approved those changes.**

<a href="#">ECO 4106</a>	Behavioral Economics	3	New
<a href="#">GEB 3213</a>	Introduction to Business Communication (New title: Business Communication: Critical Analysis and Application)	3	Change title and description
<a href="#">ISM 3116</a>	Introduction to Business Analytics and Big Data	3	Remove prerequisites
<a href="#">ISM 4432 Support</a>	Business Product Development with AI	3	New
<a href="#">MAN 3025</a>	Introduction to Management and Organizational Behavior (New title: Management of Organizations)	3	Change title and description
<a href="#">MAN 3506</a>	Operations Management	3	Change prerequisite
<a href="#">MAN 4720</a>	Global Strategy and Policy	3	Change description

#### 4. Honors College

Guest Yaouen Fily, representing the Honors College, presented programs changes for two of the College’s concentrations to add an alternative physics course to the standard general physics requirement. **The UUPC approved the updates.**

<a href="#">Program Change</a> <a href="#">Honors Approval</a>	Biology Concentration and Neuroscience Concentration		Add PHY 2053 as an alternative to PHY 2048 for both concentrations
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#### 5. Library

Rep Lawrence Mello reported that the Library is currently undergoing maintenance, including adding LED lighting throughout the facility.

#### 6. Science

Chair Sorge presented the addition of two directed independent research (DIR) courses to the offerings for Exercise Science and Health Promotion and a program change adding the new courses to the program’s elective tables. Eric Hanne, Arts and Letters, asked what is the purpose of offering a lower-division DIR course. EG Rep Fred Bloetscher responded to this query stating the Provost’s Office has an incentive program for colleges to offer research courses with the intent of engaging undergraduate students in research. This lower-division DIR course will assist with this initiative allowing students to begin research earlier in their studies. **The UUPC approved the new courses and program change.**

<a href="#">PET 2916</a>	Directed Independent Research	0-3	New
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<a href="#">Program Change</a>	B.S. in Exercise Science and Health Promotion		Add the two new courses above as electives for the two concentrations in Exercise Science

#### 7. Social Work and Criminal Justice

SJ Rep Sigal Rubin informed the group that the Criminal Justice program changes are simply reconciling the courses in the two catalog sections for this program. All the new courses recently added in the course description section will now also appear in the appropriate locations in the curriculum tables. RO Rep Maria Jennings added that when new courses are presented, curriculum updates should be presented at the same time or shortly thereafter to show where the new courses are to be included in the curriculum tables in the catalog. This proposal takes care of that follow up and now both sections of the catalog will include the new courses. **The UUPC approved the course additions.**

<a href="#">Program Change</a>	B.A. in Criminal Justice		Add recently added courses as options in the electives table
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8. Admissions, Education, Engineering and Computer Science, and Nursing had no reports.

**III. FINAL DISCUSSION/NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT**

The next UUPC meeting is Monday, October 7, from 10 am to noon, in SU 132 or via Zoom.

Steering meeting dates: <https://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/steering-committee/>

University Faculty Senate meeting dates: <https://www.fau.edu/ufsgov/calendar/>

Chair Sorge declared the meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.