**The University of Oklahoma**

**Academic Programs Council**

MINUTES

February 2, 2024

The Academic Programs Council met at 2:00 p.m., Friday, February 2, 2024, via Zoom.

**Present:** Huskey, Bolino, Hayes-Thumann, Burke, Pleasants, McSkimming, Ferraro, Morvant, Allman,Williams, Dyer, Crall, Cannon, Burgett, Giles, Bailey

**Absent:** Green, Spicer

**Guests:** Teri Reed, Matthew Beattie, John Hassell, Chad Roller, and Chris Freeze from the Polytechnic Institute.

In respect for our guests’ time, the courses and programs for the Polytechnic Institute were discussed first. All remaining committee questions were answered and resolved. The new AI and SDI courses and new programs for the Polytechnic Institute were recommended for approval.

**New Programs**

POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Artificial Intelligence, Bachelor of Science (RPC TBD, MC BTBD) Requesting the addition of a Bachelor of Science with a Level III program title of Artificial Intelligence. The program requires 120 hours with 57 hours in the major and 18 hours in major support.

Software Development & Integration, Bachelor of Science (RPC TBD, MC BTBD) Requesting the addition of a Bachelor of Science with a Level III program title of Software Development & Integration. The program requires 120 hours with 57 hours in the major and 18 hours in major support.

**Courses:**

The remainder of the course requests distributed for this meeting were then discussed.

The following courses were recommended for review by the Provost office:

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| GEOG 4023 | Geography of Health and Disease | Attendance policy needs clarification |
| GIS 4243 | Remote Sensing Application | Syllabus missing due dates |
| GIS 4553 | Advanced Remote Sensing | Syllabus missing due dates; difference between undergraduate and graduate coursework needs to be addressed |
| EDSC 4513 | Teaching Science in Secondary Schools | Grading scale is the same for undergraduate and graduate students. |
| BME 4243/ CH E 4243 | Biochemical Engineering | “Permission of Instructor” as course prerequisite needs to be revisited |
| BME 4373 / CH E 4373 | Tissue Engineering | “Permission of Instructor” as course prerequisite needs to be revisited |
| ECE 4603 | Radar Imaging | “Permission of Instructor” as course prerequisite needs to be revisited |
| MUNM 1163 | History of Video Game Music | Unclear how finals contact hours will be met |
| MUTK 4193 | Producing, Mixing and Mastering | Syllabus missing due dates; number of labs/quizzes/assignments and their percentages need to be stated clearly |

All other course requests were discussed and recommended for approval.

**Programs:**

The remainder of the program requests distributed for this meeting were then discussed.

The committee decided to hold the B.S. in Engineering Analytics program with a recommendation to the department to reduce the total credit hours from 123 to 120 in compliance with the Provost office request to reduce undergraduate programs to 120 hours.

**New Program**

GALLOGLY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Engineering Analytics, Bachelor of Science (RPC TBD, MC BTBD) Requesting the addition of a Bachelor of Science with a Level III program title of Engineering Analytics. The program requires 123 hours with 57 hours in the major and 29 hours in major support.

The following programs were then discussed and recommended for approval.

**Program Deletion**

DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Microbiology, Bachelor of Microbiology (RPC 325, MC B691) Requesting the deletion of the Bachelor of Microbiology program effective Summer 2024. There are 16 students currently enrolled with the last student expected to graduate in 2027. No courses will be deleted, and students will be allowed to complete the program.

**New Certificate**

MEWBOURNE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Sustainable Energy Systems, Undergraduate Certificate (RPC TBD, MC TTBD) Requesting the addition of a Certificate with a Level III program title of Sustainable Energy Systems. The certificate requires 15 hours with 6 hours of required courses and 9 hours of electives.

GALLOGLY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Bioprocessing, Undergraduate Certificate (RPC TBD, MC TTBD) Requesting the addition of a Certificate with a Level III program title of Bioprocessing. The certificate requires 15 hours with 9 hours of required courses and 6 hours of electives.

WEITZENHOFFER COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Museum Studies, Undergraduate Certificate (RPC TBD, MC TTBD) Requesting the addition of a new embedded Certificate with a Level III program title of Museum Studies. The certificate is embedded in the B.A. in Art History. The certificate requires 15 hours with 9 hours of required courses and 6 hours of electives. Students must also earn a minimum grade of C in each course and achieve a 2.50 GPA in the certificate coursework.

**Concentration Deletion**

DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Plant Biology, Bachelor of Science (RPC 021, MC B787-P061) Delete the Biotechnology concentration of the B.S. in Plant Biology effective Summer 2024. There are 2 students currently enrolled with the last student expected to graduate in 2025. No courses will be deleted, and students will be allowed to complete the program.

**Program Requirement Changes**

CHRISTOPHER C. GIBBS COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Interior Design, Bachelor of Interior Design (RPC 126, MC B585). Course requirement changes. Business and Communications elective courses removed. A HI 1113 (Core IV) will replace the Art History Elective course (meets Artistic Forms gen ed). ARCH 2343 will replace ARCH 2243 (meets Western Culture gen ed).  ARCH 4563 will be added and 3 credit hours of Professional Elective course credit removed. ID 4773 increased by 1 credit hour and changed to ID 4784.  ID 4764 changing title to Furniture Design Build Studio. World Culture Gen. Ed. now required to also be upper division. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 125 to 120.

COLLEGE OF ATMOSPHERIC AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES

Environmental Sustainability, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 381, MC B408-P161, B408-P516, B408-P591). Course requirement changes to all concentrations. In the college requirements, change the choose one gen ed science to GEOG 1114 as the requirement. Under Major Requirements: add GEOG 2021; remove GEOG 3773; change GEOG 3923 from 4 hours to 3 hours making it GEOG 3923; change the name of GEOG 4893 to Research and Professional Development; add Major Electives that require two courses (6 hours) to be chosen from list of elective courses; and change the concentration requirement from 12 hours to 9 hours, with at least 6 hours of GEOG courses. Under Major Support Requirements: change the requirement from 24 hours to 20 hours, including 6 hours of upper-division. The three concentrations are currently on separate checksheets and will be combined into one checksheet following this modification. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Environmental Sustainability, Bachelor of Science (RPC 382, MC B410-P161, B410-P516, B410-P591). Course requirement changes to all concentrations. In the college requirements, change the requirement from PHYS 2424 or 2524 gen ed science to GEOG 1114 as the requirement. Under Major Requirements: add GEOG 2021; remove GEOG 3773; change GEOG 3923 from 4 hours to 3 hours making it GEOG 3923; change the name of GEOG 4893 to Research and Professional Development; remove all the course options for the computer-related elective and add GIS 1313 as the requirement; add Major Electives that require two courses (6 hours) to be chosen from list of elective courses; and change the concentration requirement from 12 hours to 9 hours, with at least 6 hours of GEOG courses. Under Major Support Requirements: change the requirement to courses to be chosen from a list of approved courses maintained by the department. The three concentrations are currently on separate checksheets and will be combined into one checksheet following this modification. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

WEITZENHOFFER COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Art, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 398, MC B050). Program requirement change. The Free Elective will change from 5-21 hours to 3-18 hours (secondary emphasis and electives total 33-34 hours). Total credit hours for the degree will change from 122-132 to 120.

Art, Bachelor of Fine Arts (RPC 268, MC B060, B063). Program requirement change to both the Studio Arts and Art, Technology & Culture options. Rewording the language requirement to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 120-130 to 120.

Visual Communication, Bachelor of Fine Arts (RPC 399, MC B067). Program requirement change. Rewording the language requirement to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 120-130 to 120.

BOREN COLLEGE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

International and Area Studies, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 018, MC B075, B420, B495, B597, B604, B605, B630, B694). *Course requirement changes for all options:* An international experience will no longer be required in order for students to graduate, but it will still be strongly encouraged. Department maintained course list have been updated.

*Changes for the Asian Studies Option*: Removing **Category II Asian Studies Gateway**, IAS 2101. Free electives have been adjusted so total hours will stay the same. Major hours will be adjusted from 31 to 30 hours. 12 (instead of 13) of the required 30 hours must be taken in the Department of International and Area Studies.

*Changes for the European Studies Option*: IAS 3243 (listed as an option under Category II. Foundations in European Studies) is no longer a current course and has been deleted from the course inventory. For the Russian & East European Studies concentration, IAS 3273 European Union will replace IAS 3243.

*Changes for the Global Energy, Environment, and Resources Option, International Development Option, International Studies Option:* Students will no longer be required to have four semesters of a foreign language. Foreign language hours will be reduced to three semesters and therefore match the language requirement for College of Arts & Sciences majors.

*Changes for the International Security Studies Option:* Students will no longer be required to have four semesters of a foreign language. Foreign language hours will be reduced to three semesters and therefore match the language requirement for College of Arts & Sciences majors. International Security Studies majors may study any approved foreign language as part of their major support requirements and are not limited to only strategic languages as previously stated on the degree check sheets.

Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

GAYLORD COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM

Journalism, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 137, MC B610, B795, B815). Program requirement changes for all options: Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours.

*Course requirement changes for the Journalism option:* In Major Requirements, remove "Choose two of the following" and its list of choices, JMC Skill Streams and associated course lists, and JMC 3003. Reduce electives down to 6 hours, from a list maintained by the department. Add the following requirement: Choose 5 of these 6 courses (5 hours): JMC 1031, JMC 1041, JMC 1051, JMC 1061, JMC 1071, or JMC 1081. Intermediate Courses (15 hours): JMC 3013 (changing name to Intermediate Cross-Platform Reporting), JMC 3663 Visual Reporting (name change), JMC 3683 Digital Reporting (name change), JMC 4013 Essential Reporting (name change), JMC 4833 (retained from previous requirements). Advanced Courses (12 hours): JMC 4033, JMC 4183 Adv. Cross-Platform Reporting (name change), JMC 4803 and JMC 4863 retained from previous requirements. Add Practicum (1 credit), chosen from JMC 3011 rotating offerings.

Total credit hours for the degree will change from 124 to 120.

Journalism Advertising, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 134, MC B006). Program requirement changes. Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 124 to 120.

Creative Media Production, Bachelor of Arts (RPC 135, MC B256). Program requirement changes. Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 124 to 120.

**Administrative Course Designator Requests**

MEWBOURNE COLLEGE OF EARTH AND ENERGY

SES-Sustainable Energy Systems. Requesting a new course designator for a new undergraduate certificate. CEE 2113 and CEE 2123 will be moved to the SES course designator.

COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING STUDIES

PSAD-PACS Aerospace & Defense. Requesting a new course designator for LSIS courses in aerospace and defense.

PSBA-PACS Business Administration. Requesting a new course designator for LSIS and LSAL courses in Business Administration.

PSCJ-PACS Criminal Justice. Requesting a new course designator for LSCJ courses in Criminal Justice.

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PSCS-PACS Computer & Data Science. Requesting a new course designator for LSIS and LSTD courses in computer and data science.

PSGS-PACS Global Studies. Requesting a new course designator for planned new courses in global studies.

PSHA-PACS Health Administration. Requesting a new course designator for LSAL, LSLC, and LSIS courses in healthcare administration.

PSHU-PACS Humanities. Requesting a new course designator for LSTD courses in humanities.

PSIS-PACS Integrative Studies. Requesting a new course designator for LSTD, LSAL, and LSIS courses in Integrative Studies.

PSMS-PACS Math. Requesting a new course designator for LSTD courses in Math.

PSNS-PACS Natural Science. Requesting a new course designator for LSTD courses in natural science.

PSOL-PACS Organizational Leadership. Requesting a new course designator for LSAL courses in organizational leadership.

PSSC-PACS Social Sciences. Requesting a new course designator for LSTD and LSIS courses in social sciences.

POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

AI-Artificial Intelligence. Requesting a new course designator for a new degree program.

Reason for request: This is for a new program to be offered by the OU Polytechnic Institute with a target first class date of August 2025.

SDI-Software Development and Integration. Requesting a new course designator for a new degree program.

**Administrative New Minor**

WEITZENHOFER FAMILY COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Commercial Music, Minor (MC TBD). Requesting addition of a new minor in Commercial

Music. Minimum hours for the minor are 21, with at least 9 at the upper division level. This minor will not require audition for admission and is open to all majors except Music.

**Administrative Program Requirement Changes**

CHRISTOPHER C. GIBBS COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Interior Design for Non-Architecture/Visual Communication Majors, Minor (MC N584). Requesting a name change for the minor to Interior Design for Non-Architecture/Non-Visual Communication Majors. Course requirement changes: Replace I D 2773 Interior Construction with I D 1234 Interior Design Communication Studio II. Replace I D 4970 with any I D professional elective from an approved list of courses with a course designator of I D. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

Interior Design for Architecture Majors, Minor (MC N586). Course requirement changes: Replace I D 4970 with any I D professional elective from an approved list of courses with a course designator of I D. Change the title on I D 4573 to Interior Lighting and on I D 4764 to Furniture Design Build Studio. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

Interior Design for Visual Communication Majors, Minor (MC N588). Course requirement changes: the minor is changing from 18 hours of specific required courses to choose 15 hours from a list of courses. Total credit hours for the minor will change from 18 to 15 hours.

COLLEGE OF ATMOSPHERIC AND GEOGRAPHIC SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts (in Environmental Sustainability: Planning & Management)/Master of Regional & City Planning (RPC 381/199, MC A408-P516/F817-Q228). Course requirement changes to all concentrations. In the college requirements, change the choose one gen ed science to GEOG 1114 as the requirement. Under Major Requirements: add GEOG 2021; remove GEOG 3773; change GEOG 3923 from 4 hours to 3 hours making it GEOG 3923; change the name of GEOG 4893 to Research and Professional Development; add Major Electives that require two courses (6 hours) to be chosen from list of elective courses; and change the concentration requirement from 12 hours to 9 hours, with at least 6 hours of GEOG courses. Under Major Support Requirements: change the requirement from 24 hours to 20 hours, including 6 hours of upper-division. The three concentrations are currently on separate checksheets and will be combined into one checksheet following this modification. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Bachelor of Science (in Environmental Sustainability: Planning & Management)/Master of Regional & City Planning (RPC 382/199, MC A410-P516/F817-Q229). Course requirement changes to all concentrations. In the college requirements, change the requirement from PHYS 2424 or 2524 gen ed science to GEOG 1114 as the requirement. Under Major Requirements: add GEOG 2021; remove GEOG 3773; change GEOG 3923 from 4 hours to 3 hours making it GEOG 3923; change the name of GEOG 4893 to Research and Professional Development; remove all the course options for the computer-related elective and add GIS 1313 as the requirement; add Major Electives that require two courses (6 hours) to be chosen from list of elective courses; and change the concentration requirement from 12 hours to 9 hours, with at least 6 hours of GEOG courses. Under Major Support Requirements: change the requirement to courses to be chosen from a list of approved courses maintained by the department. The three concentrations are currently on separate checksheets and will be combined into one checksheet following this modification. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Geographic Information Systems, Minor (MC N462). Course requirement changes to the Elective list. Make the following changes to the Elective list for the minor: Remove GEOG 3924. Add GEOG 1113, GEOG 4023, GEOG 4183, GIS 1313, GIS 3003, GIS 4173, GIS 4243, GIS 4243, GIS 4553, and GIS 4833. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

BOREN COLLEGE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Bachelor of Arts (in International Studies)/Master of Arts (in Global Studies) (RPC 018/337, MC A605/F497). Course requirement changes. An international experience will no longer be required in order for students to graduate, but it will still be strongly encouraged. Students will no longer be required to have four semesters of a foreign language. Foreign language hours will be reduced to three semesters and therefore match the language requirement for College of Arts & Sciences majors. The wording on the check sheet and program of study will be updated accordingly. Department maintained undergraduate course list has been updated. Total credit hours for the degree will not change.

Iranian Studies, Minor (MC N609). Course requirement changes. Update the course titles for IAS 3223 to Modern Iran: Islam & Revolution and IAS 3413 to Iran & Islam in Global History. Add the following courses to the list of approved minor electives: IAS 3233 Nationalism & the Middle East, IAS 3423 Middle East through Film, and IAS 3763 Women & Gender in the Middle East. Remove FMS 3843 from the list of approved minor electives. Total credit hours for the minor will not change.

GAYLORD COLLEGE OF JOURNALISM

Bachelor of Arts (in Journalism)/Master of Arts (in Journalism and Mass Communication) (RPC 137/138, MC A610/F610-Q394). Program requirement changes: Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours.

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Bachelor of Arts (in Journalism Advertising)/Master of Arts (in Journalism and Mass Communication) (RPC 134/138, MC A006/F610-Q020). Program requirement changes. Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 147-148 to 143-144.

Bachelor of Arts (in Creative Media Production)/ Master of Arts (in Journalism and Mass Communication) (RPC 135/138, MC A256/F610-Q159). Program requirement changes. Remove current admission requirements since students will be admitted directly to the college in 2024. The current admission requirements have been revised to become the College retention requirements. Lower the Retention GPA for all Freshmen or Transfer students from 2.75 to 2.50 GPA. Transfer students must have a 2.50 combined retention GPA for admission. Remove the College requirement of "at least 65 of these hours must be in liberal arts and sciences courses". Free electives were removed to reduce total hours. Total credit hours for the degree will change from 147-148 to 143-144.

**Additional APC Discussion:**

Huskey informed the committee that she will be attending a conference next month, Bolino will lead the March committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.