



University Council

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – 2020-2021

John Maerz, Chair, absent, Susan Sanchez, substituting

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Nicholas Fuhrman

Arts and Sciences – Jonathan Evans (Arts), absent

Rodney Mauricio (Sciences)

Business – Jim Carson

Ecology – Amanda Rugenski

Education – David Jackson

Engineering – E.W. Tollner

Environment and Design – Ashley Steffens

Family and Consumer Sciences – Sheri Worthy

Forestry and Natural Resources – Joseph Dahlen

Journalism and Mass Communication – Dodie Cantrell-Bickley

Law – Randy Beck

Pharmacy – Michelle McElhannon

Public and International Affairs – Jeffrey Berejikian

Public Health – Brittani Harmon

Social Work – Harold Briggs

Veterinary Medicine – Susan Sanchez

Graduate School – Wendy Ruona

Ex-Officio – Provost S. Jack Hu

Undergraduate Student Representative – Jeremiah de Sesto, absent

Graduate Student Representative – Gerena Walker

Guests: Dr. Robert Pazdro

Dr. Tracey Brigman

Dr. Tyra Byers

Dr. Thiab Taha

Dr. Bradley Barnes

Dr. Gajanan Bhat

Dr. Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett

Dr. Jennifer Birch

Dr. Cecilia Herles

Dr. Scott Ainsworth

Dr. Khaled Rasheed

Dr. Frederick Maier

Dr. Adam Goodie

The University Curriculum Committee met on March 26, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. via the online meeting program Zoom.

Minutes of the January 22, 2021, University Curriculum Committee were approved.

The committee unanimously approved the following proposals, which were forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration<sup>1</sup>:

- Proposal to change the name of the Department of Foods and Nutrition to the Department of Nutritional Sciences
- Proposal for a new minor in American Sign Language
- Proposal for a new minor in Biological and Medical Anthropology
- Proposal for a new Graduate Certificate in African Studies
- Proposal for a new Graduate Certificate in Transformative Leadership
- Proposal to reactivate the Graduate Certificate in Creativity and Innovation
- Proposal for a new major in Artificial Intelligence (Ph.D.)

The committee unanimously approved the proposal to terminate the following areas of emphasis under the major in Family and Consumer Sciences Education (B.S.F.C.S.):

- Community Outreach
- Culinary
- Financial Planning
- Early Childhood
- Foods and Nutrition
- Interiors, Fashion, and Textiles

The committee unanimously approved the proposal for two new prefixes, BTSC, Biomedical and Translational Sciences, and NEUR, Neuroscience.

The committee unanimously approved the proposal for a new prefix, SUST, Sustainability.

The committee unanimously approved the proposal to establish entrance requirements for the major in Computer Science (B.S.). The vote appears in Appendix A.

The committee unanimously approved the proposal to establish high-demand status for the Area of Emphasis in Product Development and Design under the major in Fashion Merchandising (B.S.F.C.S.).

The committee unanimously approved the proposal to change the prefix FDNS, Foods and Nutrition, to NUTR, Nutritional Sciences.

Following discussion of the proposal for a new Undergraduate Certificate in Data Analytics in Public Policy, a motion was made to change the word “should” to “must” under the Methodology section of the program of study. The motion was seconded, and the motion was approved. After extensive discussion, the proposal was unanimously approved. This proposal was forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration.

Following discussion of the proposal for a new Undergraduate Certificate in LGBTQ Studies, the proposal was unanimously approved with a friendly amendment to revise the language about the elective coursework to read “selected with the approval of the certificate director.” This proposal

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<sup>1</sup> Motions and Seconds appear in Appendix A.

was forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration.

The committee unanimously approved the proposal to extend the Waiver of the Experiential Learning Requirement due to Impacts Resulting from COVID-19.

The committee discussed a concern from the Biological Sciences Subcommittee that 4000-level courses often do not have prerequisite courses. There is not a policy that requires upper-level courses to have prerequisites and not clear definitions for each course level. The substitute chair asked if the committee members would like to establish an ad hoc committee to consider these issues. The following committee members volunteered to serve on an ad hoc committee: Susan Sanchez, Sheri Worthy, Joe Dahlen, Rodney Mauricio, David Jackson, and Jeffrey Berejikian. The substitute chair will refer this request to John Maerz, Chair of UCC, for consideration.

### **Other Business:**

The University Curriculum Committee approved the following proposal via email on March 5, 2021:

Proposal to extend the exception to the E-suffix approval process for teaching courses online for the duration of the pandemic.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to be able to adapt quickly to safety concerns and social distancing requirements, courses may be offered online summer and fall 2021 without obtaining approval for an E-suffix version of the course. Offering courses online, without an E-suffix, will require approval of the department head and dean. This exception to the E-suffix process will be granted on a temporary basis, for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic only. Following the pandemic, any online courses will be required to be approved through the standard E-suffix approval process.

### **For Information:**

The Hybrid and Online Teaching Subcommittee met on February 16, 2021, and March 10, 2021.

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee met on February 25, 2021, and March 18, 2021.

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee approved the following courses and non-credit activities to be included in the Experiential Learning Implementation Plans for various schools/colleges, and to be included as options on the Experiential Learning Transcript:

- FACS 5915E/7915E, International Internship in Family and Consumer Sciences (*Family and Consumer Sciences; Internship*)
- FCID 4500/6500, Interdisciplinary Sustainability Capstone (*Arts and Sciences; Internship*)
- FCID 5015/7015, Museum Internship (*Arts and Sciences; Internship*)
- IDEA 4020/6020, Industry Student Fellows Projects (*Office of Instruction; Creative*)

- MIST 4801, Internship in Data Analytics (*Business; Internship*)
- MIST 4802, Internship in Information Security (*Business; Internship*)
- MIST 4803, Internship in FinTech (*Business; Internship*)

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee approved the following non-credit activities to fulfill the Experiential Learning Requirement and to be included as options on the Experiential Learning Transcript:

- Terry College – Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) Program (*Business; Internship*)
- Department of Dance Professional Internship (*Arts and Sciences; Internship*)
- NCAA Student-Athlete Leaders (*Athletic Association; Leadership*)

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee approved the following non-credit activities to be included as options on the Experiential Learning Transcript:

- Auxiliary Services Summer Ambassadors (*Finance and Administration; Leadership*)
- Beacon Fellows Internship Program (*Office of Instruction; Internship*)
- DAE Peer Allies (*Office of Instruction; Leadership*)
- Loop Abroad Virtual Internship Project (*Office of Instruction; Internship*)

Based on the authority granted by the Experiential Learning Subcommittee, the following items were administratively approved:

- The College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences has requested the following amendment to the College's Experiential Learning Plan. These non-credit activities were previously approved by the Experiential Learning Subcommittee to fulfill the requirement and to be included as options on the Experiential Learning Transcript:
  - Campus Kitchen Leadership Team (*Office of Service Learning; Internship*)
    - Formerly known as:
      - Campus Kitchen Client Outreach
      - Campus Kitchen Community Engagement
      - Campus Kitchen Manager
      - Campus Kitchen Research and Development Intern
    - Campus Kitchen President (*Office of Service Learning; Leadership*)
    - Campus Kitchen Shift Captain (*Office of Service Learning; Service*)
    - Peer Learning Assistants (PLAdawgs) (*Office of Instruction; Internship*)
    - Impact UGA (*Student Affairs; Leadership*)
      - Formerly known as: IMPACT Service Break Participants
    - Resident Assistants (*Student Affairs; Leadership*)
  - The College of Family and Consumer Sciences has requested the following amendment to the College's Experiential Learning Plan:

- o To approve any course or non-credit activity approved for EL by another school/college to satisfy the EL requirement for the College of Family and Consumer Sciences students.

The General Education Subcommittee met on January 29, 2021, and February 22, 2021.

The General Education Subcommittee approved the request to include the following courses in the list of courses that satisfy the General Education Requirement:

**Area IV, Humanities and the Arts**

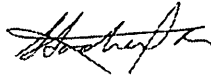
**ARST 2205, Introduction to Photography and Image Culture**

The Environmental Awareness Subcommittee met on January 25, 2021.

The Environmental Awareness Subcommittee approved the requests to include the following courses in the list of courses that satisfy the Environmental Awareness Requirement:

- GEOG 1101, Human Geography: People, Places, and Cultures
- GEOG 1101E, Human Geography: People, Places, and Cultures
- GEOG 1111, Introduction to Physical Geography
- GEOG 2110H, Introduction to Physical Geography (Honors)

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



Susan Sanchez, Chair Substitute  
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu  
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav

## Appendix A

### Motions and Seconds

Approval of the January 22, 2021, University Curriculum Committee minutes

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Joe Dahlen
- Second – Bill Tollner/Rodney Mauricio

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- Culinary
- Financial Planning
- Early Childhood
- Foods and Nutrition
- Interiors, Fashion, and Textiles

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Joe Dahlen

Proposal for two new prefixes, BTSC, Biomedical and Translational Sciences, and NEUR, Neuroscience

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Joe Dahlen

Proposal for a new prefix, SUST, Sustainability.

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Joe Dahlen

Proposal to establish entrance requirements for the major in Computer Science (B.S.)

*Vote is recorded below*

- Motion to approve – Bill Tollner
- Second – Joe Dahlen

**Proposal to establish high-demand status for the Area of Emphasis in Product Development and Design under the major in Fashion Merchandising (B.S.F.C.S.)**

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Joe Dahlen
- Second – Bill Tollner

**Proposal to make the following changes in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences:**

- Change the name of the Department of Foods and Nutrition to the Department of Nutritional Sciences
- Change the prefix FDNS, Foods and Nutrition, to NUTR, Nutritional Sciences

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Bill Tollner

**Proposal for a new minor in American Sign Language**

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Bill Tollner
- Second – Joe Dahlen

**Proposal for a new minor in Biological and Medical Anthropology**

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Joe Dahlen
- Second – Yvonne Bickley

**Proposal for a new Undergraduate Certificate in Data Analytics in Public Policy**

*Approved unanimously with a friendly amendment to change wording in program of study*

- Motion to approve – Bill Tollner
- Second – Joe Dahlen

**Proposal for a new Undergraduate Certificate in LGBTQ Studies**

*Approved unanimously with a friendly amendment to change elective courses*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Joe Dahlen

**Proposal for a new Graduate Certificate in African Studies**

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Joe Dahlen

Proposal for a new Graduate Certificate in Transformative Leadership on the Athens, Gwinnett, and Online campuses

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Joe Dahlen
- Second – Nick Fuhrman

Proposal to reactivate the Graduate Certificate in Creativity and Innovation

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Harold Briggs

Proposal for a new major in Artificial Intelligence (Ph.D.)

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Rodney Mauricio
- Second – Harold Briggs

Proposal to extend the Waiver of the Experiential Learning Requirement due to Impacts Resulting from COVID-19

*Approved unanimously*

- Motion to approve – Harold Briggs
- Second – Joe Dahlen



Proposal to establish entrance requirements for the major in Computer Science (B.S.)

Motion - Bill Tollner

Second - Joe Dahlen

**Voting:**

**Voted Yes:**

Randy Beck  
Jeff Berejikian  
Harold Briggs  
Dodie Cantrell-Bickley  
Jim Carson  
Joe Dahlen  
Nick Fuhrman  
Brittani Harmon  
David Jackson  
Rodney Mauricio  
Michelle McElhannon  
Amanda Rugenski  
Wendy Ruona  
Susan Sanchez  
Ashley Steffens  
Bill Tollner  
Sheri Worthy

**Voted No:**

**Abstained:**

Gerena Walker

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