

**MINUTES**  
**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**CAS Undergraduate Curriculum Council**  
**2023-24**

**MEETING:** November 16, 2023 - 2:30 p.m., UC Beale Room (363)

**PRESENT:** C. Bowers, L. Feldman, C. Goudsouzian, B. Graham, R. Hood, S. Jin, J. Johnson, H. Kung, W. Madlock, B. McCarty, S. Mishra, T. Nenon, V. Phan, W. Thompson, J. Wang

**ABSENT:** A. Johnson, J. Jones, S. Jun, J. Sabel, R. Serino

**VISITORS:** N/A

**PROXIES:** Jenny Sipe for A. Johnson (CJUS), Judy Cole for J. Sabel (BIOL)

**PRESIDING:** L. Menson-Furr; S. Warren, recording secretary

1. Welcome
2. Review and Approval of September and October 2023 minutes  
L. Feldman motioned to approve; W. Thompson seconded the motion. All were in favor and so the minutes were approved.
3. Announcements and Updates from L. Menson-Furr
  - A. UUC Updates
    - i. All CAS proposals were approved at the November UUC meeting.
    - ii. Microcredentials and Credentials  
The upcoming year, each college will be allowed to pilot 1-2 programs. The financial aid office is still investigating how to implement aid for these types of programs. For now, the piloted programs must have classes that will also count toward a degree program to satisfy financial aid requirements. The long-term goal is to offer standalone credentialing programs.  
T. Nenon shared that external constituents started this conversation with the university, citing the need for more specialized workforce training.
  - B. CAS Updates
    - i. Senior exams: The college needs approximately 219 juniors and/or seniors to complete an online Gen Ed assessment by May 2024. Please contact R. Hood, R. Serino, or L. Menson-Furr to volunteer a class to participate. CAS can schedule
    - ii. The council will review and discuss remaining proposals during the December meeting, which will be held via Zoom.

4. Scholarship Updates  
Tiger scholarship manager is about to open, so please be sure to advertise to your students.
5. Proposal Discussion and Voting (full list of proposals starts on page 2)
  - A. Block vote 2 – Low Impact Proposals for COMP, PSYC, SOCI – C. Bowers motioned to approve; all were in favor.
  - B. COMP, HIST, MATH, PSYC, SOCI, INTD – All approved
6. The next meeting is scheduled for December 14 at 2:30 via Zoom. This will be a voting meeting.  
  
Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM.

## **Block Vote 2: Low Impact Proposals**

### **COMP**

#### **Course Revision**

COMP - 4741 - Intro to Neural Networks

-title change to Intro to Neural Networks and Deep Learning

#### **Program Revisions**

Computer Science, Cybersecurity Concentration (B.S.)

Computer Science, Data Science Concentration (B.S.)

Computer Science, General Concentration (B.S.)

-Updating recommended 4-year sequence

### **PSYC**

#### **Program Revision**

Psychology - Cognitive Science Concentration, (B.A.)

-Adding course options

### **SOCI**

#### **Course Revision**

SOCI - 4641 - Sociology/Global Environment

-Title change to Sociology/Global Social Change, description change

#### **UG Program Revision**

Sociology, (Accelerated B.S./M.S.) (low impact)

-Correcting program title and errors in 4-year sequence

## **CAS 2024-25 UG Curricular Proposals for consideration at Dec UUC**

### **COMP (motion to approve by C. Goudsouzian; all were in favor)**

#### **UG Program Revision**

Computer Science Minor (21 hours)

-Reduce hours to 20

#### **UG Catalog Change/Edit**

Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence Concentration (B.S.)

-Revised recommended 4-year sequence

### **HIST (motion to approve by W. Thompson; all were in favor)**

#### **UG New Courses**

HIST - 2040 - Genocide and World History

HIST - 3284 - Popular Culture in African History

HIST - 4286 - History of Nationalisms in Africa

HIST - 4287 - Africa and the African Diaspora

#### **UG Course Revisions**

HIST - 4283 - History/South Africa

-Moving from 4000 to 3000 level

HIST - 4288 - West Africa/Diaspora \*\*

-Title change to Kingdoms and Empires in West African History, change from 4000 to 3000 level

HIST - 4289 - African Women's History

-Title change to Gender and Sexuality in Africa

### **MATH (motion to approve by W. Thompson; all were in favor)**

#### **UG Course Revisions**

MATH - 1420 - Foundations of Mathematics \*\*

-delete prerequisite

MATH - 1530 - Prob/Statistics/Non Calculus\*\*

-delete prerequisite

MATH - 1710 - College Algebra

-delete prerequisite

### **PSYC (motion to approve by W. Thompson; all were in favor)**

#### **UG New Course**

PSYC - 3518 - Psychology for Healthcare Professionals

#### **UG APM**

Psychology, (B.A.)

-Add BS option

**SOCI (motion to approve by L. Feldman; all were in favor)**

**UG New Courses**

SOCI - 3700 - Cultural Emotions\*\*

SOCI - 3805 - Race and Religion in the US

SOCI - 4200 - Sociological Theory\*\*

**INTD (motion to approve by B. Graham; all were in favor)**

**UG New Courses**

AAAS - 3805 - Race and Religion in the US

INTD - 3020 - East Asian Music, Arts, and Culture\*\*

RLGN - 3805 - Race and Religion in the US

WMST - 3515 - Women, Gender, and Religion\*\*

**UG Program Revisions**

African and African American Studies Minor

- Clarify program structure and update course options

African and African American Studies, (B.A.)

- Clarify program structure and update course options

International and Global Studies, (B.A.)

- The major is being reduced from 42 hours to 36 hours, the core requirements are being reduced from 27 hours to 15 hours, the concentrations will now be 12 hours instead of 9, clarifying upper-division language requirement.

Religious Studies Minor

- Updating course options

Women's and Gender Studies Minor

- Adding more course options, add core category "Intersectional Approaches", group electives into Humanities and Social Sciences