

UCC Report, 2019-2020 Academic Year

1. Overview

The UCC has 29 voting members, one from each academic department plus one each from Steely Library, University Programs and the three programs in SOTA, and ex-officio members from the Office of the Registrar and the Office of the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs. The UCC meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday, September through April (except December which has a single meeting). The second March meeting is held on the 4th Thursday to avoid a conflict with Graduate Council. During the 2019-20 academic year, the meetings on 9/19/19, 11/21/19, and 1/16/20 were converted into email votes as there was minimal business. Another email vote was held on 5/8/20 to handle last-minute curricular items. All meetings in the spring were held using zoom (aside from the two email votes). The average attendance for the academic year was 69% (an increase from 65% the previous year).

Jaesook Gilbert represented the UCC on AAPC. The college committee curriculum chairs were Joe Nolan (COAS, fall only), Mike Bush (COAS, spring only), Nancy Lang (COB), Steve Crites (COE), Trina Koscielicki (COHHS), Richard Fox (COI). The UCC secretary was David Cain.

2. Curriculum Changes Approved

- New program approval: 3 new degree programs, 1 new certificate program, 1 new minor:
 - Doctorate in Occupational Therapy
 - BS in Applied Software Engineering
 - BS in Cybersecurity
 - Health Care Commercialization Certificate
 - International Business Minor

Note: UCC denied approval to a new minor in Informatics.

Other curricular changes approved (numbers are approximate):

- Number of program changes: 120
- Number of program deletions: 5 (tracks, certificates)
- Number of new courses: 120
- Number of course changes: 402
- Number of course deletions: 53
- One change to the General Education program (change in SLOs)
- Approval of the creation of S-designator for research courses not numbered x92

3. Expected Initiatives for 2020-2021

- Removal of Faculty Senate from the new certificate program approval process
- Creation of course SLO repository
- Improvement to curriculum process

Submitted by Richard Fox, UCC Chair