

UCC Minutes 11/5/15

Members present: Matt Albritton, Rebecca Bailey, Janet Bertog, Robin Bartlett, Michael Bush, John Carmen, Teuta Cata, Jennifer Cellio, Linda Dynan, Richard Fox, Nancy Hancock, Julie Hart, Michael Hatton, David Kime, James Koschoreck, Trina Koscielicki, Hilary Landwehr, Lili Ma, Stephen Mueller, Margaret Myers, Cathy Neal, Joe Nolan, Chris Strobel, Michelle Teschendorf, Jason Vest, Rachele Vogelpohl, Wendy Wood

Members absent: Bill Attenweiler, Mary Bucklin, Martha Ferguson, Sara Runge

Liaisons and Visitors present: Linda Albert, Meredith Singleton, Idna Corbett, Connie Kiskaden

2. Approval of Minutes [minutes-10-15-15.pdf](#):

3. Additions to\deletions from the meeting:

Additions: ANT 321 (M), Ancient Civilizations Minor (C2), the HIS M (deletions).

Deletions: the music items were approved in 2012 and removed from the agenda. Other items from A&S have been withdrawn (the Physics et al minors) or are being held in the A&S Dean's office. See under CoA&S for details. The BIS INF 110 K and the somewhat related C2 forms are being held up in the COI Dean's office.

Update: ART 130 and ART 135 have been slightly modified to include an explicit prereq (which was mentioned in the catalog description but not under the prereq field).

4. Chair's Report

Starting next academic year, undergraduate certificate programs and graduate or post-bac certificates of less than 18 hours will no longer be open and all of these certificate programs will be closed once the current students have earned them.

Discussion:

In support of the policy:

- No funding from the state from these programs; resources should be put towards programs that benefit the institution.
- Shouldn't grant a certificate for so few courses.
- With many certificates, it requires labor to assess all those programs. Are they being assessed to the same level as other programs. Is it worth it for the benefits to limited students?
- Not very many students currently participating.

Against the policy:

- Is it all about the bottom dollar?
- We may lose out on students who can't afford to stick around for the full minor for financial or scheduling reasons.
- It does give students vital skills, even if it doesn't fulfill the robustness of a full minor.
- Community members are potential students as well – certificates give members the opportunity to improve their job skills.
- Possibility of stackable certificates towards an eventual degree.
- Is the pressure coming from outside NKU? If so, based on strong discussion here today, faculty are willing to make a strong argument for keeping certificates as is.
- Request for more data on number of certificates, number of students participating.
- Are low certificate numbers a problem? The courses are taught regardless.

- Prerequisites often rule out outside degree seekers.
- Our certificate programs are a part of our unique niche compared with other regional institutions. Will this undermine one of our unique strengths?
- Where is the issue originating? If this is a CPE issue, it will be more difficult to push back. (The graduate certificates are CPE, the undergraduate is internal.)
- Before we do away with all of the certificates, can we combine in a transdisciplinary manner or find other ways to combine?

Dr. Corbett will take the conversation to the provost and report back. Most of the previous conversation with the provost revolved around the graduate certificates, not the undergraduate ones. Will research the numbers.

Richard: Bring comments to the provost in hopes of a continuing conversation regarding this issue. Changes will be for next Fall, so we have time to sort this conversation out.

Biology track must go through TEC – we can approve contingent on TEC approval. **Only 2 more meetings to get items approved for next Fall.** Date has passed for graduate items to be approved for the Fall.

5. Curricular Items

a - College of Arts and Sciences

Biological Sciences:

[Bio Teacher Ed Track](#) (C1: deletion) Will also go through TEC. **PASSED** (contingent on TEC approval). [ENV major](#) (C2: electives) [BIO 150](#) (K: prereq) [BIO 305L](#) (K: hours) **PASSED as a group**

English:

[English \(Education Track\)](#) (C2: core, electives) **PASSED**

Mathematics and Statistics:

[MAT 303](#) (K: prereq, coreq) **PASSED**

History and Geography:

[HIS 311](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 341](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 366](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 377](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 473](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 475](#) (M: deletion) [HIS 476](#) (M: deletion) **Non-voting**

Music:

~~[MUS 228](#) (M: title) [MUS 328](#) (M: title) [MUS 428](#) (M: title)~~ Approved 3 years ago!

Physics, Geology and Engineering Technology:

~~[BS Geology](#) (C2: elective) [MMET](#) (C2: transfer grades, core)~~

~~[Electronics Engineering Technology](#) (C2: transfer grades, core)~~

~~[Advanced Technology Minor](#) (C2: transfer grades) [Electronics Engineering Technology Minor](#) (C2: transfer grades)~~

~~[Industrial Technology Minor](#) (C2: transfer grades)~~

~~[EGT 317](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [GLY 415](#) (H: [syllabus](#))~~ (struck from agenda at the meeting)

~~[GLY 315](#) (K: hours) [EGT 243](#) (K: number) [EGT 245](#) (K: number) [EGT 300](#) (K: prereq) [EGT 340](#) (K: prereq)~~

~~[EGT 365](#) (K: prereq) [EGT 380](#) (K: prereq, hours) [EGT 405](#) (K: adding lab component) [EGT 417](#) (K: descr, hours, prereq)~~

PASSED as a group

Political Science, Criminal Justice and Organizational Leadership:

~~[Social Justice Minor](#) (C2: electives) [PAD undergrad prereqs](#) (K: prereqs) [Leadership prereqs](#) (K: prereqs)~~ **PASSED as a group**

Psychological Science:

~~[Certificate in Org Psych](#) (C2: prog deletion) [Psych Major](#) (C2: core, electives)~~

[PSY 210](#) (K: descr, title, hours, coreq) [PSY 210L](#) (K: deletion, non voting) [PSY 305](#) (K: prereq) [PSY 311L](#) (K: prereq) [PSY 340L](#) (K: prereq) [PSY 501](#) (K: hours) [PSY 625](#) (K: prereq) [PSY 685](#) (K: hours) [PSY 321L](#) (M: prereq) [PSY 338L](#) (M: prereq) [PSY 465L](#) (M: prereq) **PASSED as a group**

Sociology, Anthropology and Philosophy:

[Anthropology](#) (C2: core) [Anthropology](#) (C2: electives) [Anthropology](#) (C2: core) [Religious Studies Minor](#) (C2: electives) [Ancient Civ Minor](#) (C2: electives) will go back to A&S as it didn't get voted on [ANT 401](#) (K: title) [ANT 410](#) (K: deletion, non-voting) [ANT 515](#) (K: prereq) [ANT 194](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 275](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 308](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 309](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 311](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 312](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 315](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 318](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 320](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 321](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 325](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 328](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 330](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 331](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 336](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 340](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 342](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 345](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 350](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 352](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 355](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 358](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 360](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 365](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 370](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 371](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 372](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 375](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 376](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 377](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 380](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 381](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 382](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 385](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 386](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 392](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 394](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 396](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 401](#) (M: prereq) [ANT 301](#) (M: deletion) [ANT 374](#) (M: deletion) [ANT 460](#) (M: deletion) [ANT 491](#) (M: deletion) **PASSED as a group**

Visual Arts:

[Studio Arts Minor](#) (C2: core) [Art Education](#) (C2: core) [Photography](#) (C2: core) [Visual Arts Major](#) (C2: core) [Photography](#) (C1: new track) [ART 130](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [ART 135](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [ART 140](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [ARTO 416](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [ART 100](#) (K: descr) [ART 131](#) (K: number) [ARTE 281](#) (K: number, descr, hours, prereq, coreq) [ARTE 381](#) (K: coreq) [ARTO 410](#) (K: descr, prereq) [ARTH 349](#) (K: prereq) [ARTH 359](#) (K: prereq) [ARTH 452](#) (K: prereq) [ARTO 415](#) (K: prereq) [ARTH 350](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 351](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 353](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 355](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 357](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 394](#) (M: prereq) [ARTH 454](#) (M: prereq) [ARTO 413](#) (M: prereq) [ARTO 414](#) (M: prereq) [ART 132](#) (M: deletion) [ART 133](#) (M: deletion) [ART 134](#) (M: deletion) **PASSED as a group**

World Languages and Literature:

[French Major](#) (C2: elective) [German Major](#) (C2: elective) [Spanish Major](#) (C2: elective) [French Minor](#) (C2: elective) [German Minor](#) (C2: elective) [Spanish Minor](#) (C2: elective) [Japanese Language and Culture Minor](#) (C2: elective) [WLL 396](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) **PASSED as a group**

b - College of Business

College:

[Suspension of programs](#) (C1) [New Program Structure](#) (Program proposal: see this [summary of changes](#)) [BSBA Supply Chain Track](#) (C1: new track) [BSBA](#) (C2: name change) [Business Administration Minor](#) (C2: name change) Current students will be taught out with current degrees. **PASSED**

Management:

[MGT 308](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [MGT 309](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [MGT 416](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [MGT 307](#) (K: descr, title) **PASSED**

c - College of Education and Human Services

Teacher Education:

[Teacher Education prereqs](#) (K: adv. course prereqs) **PASSED**

d - College of Health Professions

Allied Health:

[Health Science prereqs](#) (K: missing prereqs for adv courses)

[Respiratory Care](#) (C2: core) [HSC 101](#) (K: descr) [HSC 490](#) (K: deletion) [RAD 310](#) (K: title, prereq) [RSP 441](#) (K: prereq) **PASSED as a group**

Nursing:

[Nursing prereqs](#) (K: missing prereqs for adv courses) **PASSED**

e - College of Informatics

Business Informatics:

[BIS](#) (C2: adding C- or better for selective admissions classes) [BIS-1](#) (C2: name change)

[BIS Minor](#) (C2: name, core, elective, hours) [INF 110](#) (K: title, designator)

[BIS 373](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) **PASSED**

Communication:

[COM Prereqs](#) (K: advanced course prereqs - note, we are only voting on the 3xx/4xx courses at this time) UPDATE: only the 3XX level courses – the 4XX level courses will go to graduate council **PASSED**

Computer Science:

[BS CIT](#) (C2: core, track name changes) [CIT Cybersecurity track](#) (C1: new track) [CIT Non-specialist track](#) (C1: new track)

[CIT 438](#) (H: [syllabus](#)) [CIT 484](#) (K: prereq) [CIT/CSC x94 undergrad courses](#) (K: hours) **PASSED as a group**

f - General Education

g - Other Programs

6. Old Business

SOC 371 (C1: New Course) On last month's agenda, but not voted on. **PASSED**

Continued discussion of BS vs BA definition: New working document was read aloud with further discussion. The subcommittee will continue refining this in response to comments and further discussion:

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science At NKU

In order to address diverse student interests and aspirations, both Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees are offered at NKU. Both degrees require the same Foundations of Knowledge core that provides all students with vital critical thinking skills from a variety of disciplines. While equally rigorous, the two degrees build upon this core in different ways to prepare students for lifelong success.

Some programs offer only one of the degrees while others may offer both. In programs where both are offered, a description of the differences can be found on the department's website and should be discussed with the students' advisor in order to choose the best path forward.

Bachelor of Arts

The intent of Bachelor of Arts degree programs at NKU is to provide students with an expansive liberal arts educational experience. Typically, BA degrees at NKU provide students with a breadth of knowledge in multiple fields of study. BA degrees require a secondary area of study in the form of a minor, focus, or secondary major and are typically chosen by the student.

Bachelor of Science

The intent of Bachelor of Science degree programs at NKU is to provide students with a structured (focused?) liberal arts educational experience. Typically, BS degrees at NKU provide students with depth and specificity in their major or cognate discipline. BS degrees require a secondary area of study in the form of a minor, focus, or secondary major chosen by the student or in some cases, may be embedded in the degree requirements.

7. New Business

8. Adjournment