

**UCC Minutes**  
**November 16, 2023**

---

**Members present:**

Cristian Biazzin, Ginger Blackwell, Kimberly Breitenbecker, Kevin Corea, Joe Cress, Rhonda Davis, Jeff Fox, Richard Fox, Michael Guy, Kristin Hornsby, J. Human, Parmita Kapadia, Kimberly Kattus, Danielle McDonald, Tara McLendon, Catherine Neal, Beth Noblitt, Allison Parker, Terry Pence, Nicole Perrone, Shauna Reilly, Sarah Runge, Minchul Shin, Laura Sullivan, Crystal Summers, Andrea Sutherland, Hallie Sylvestro, Richard van Dyke, Dr. Karen Vietz

**Members absent:**

Mira Green, Jonathan McKenzie, Jo Sanburg, Eileen Shanahan, Stephanie Songer, Danielle Todd, Jose Torres, Andrea Watkins, Zach Wells

**Liaisons and Visitors:**

Allen Cole (Registrar's Office), (VPUAA), Emily Detmer-Gobel (Dean's Office, A&S), Beth Vasquez Registrar's Office, Abdullah AL Bahrani, Susan Brudvig, Brooke Buckley, Lisa Cuntz, Darius Fatami, Jessica Ferguson, Jennifer Gardner, Wei Hao, Rasib Khan, Erin Strome, Trainan Tratal.

---

1. Minutes from 10/19/2023 and November 2 (email vote) approved.
2. Chair Report
  - Chair reminded members that UCC has only 5 more meetings to approve curricular items for the fall 2024 catalog.
3. Curricular Items (see below)
  - Department of Mathematics and Statistics - Data Analytics & Statistics, B.S.

Mathematics and Statistics representatives presented their rationale for the name change citing CIP definitions of both Statistics and Data Analytics. Their presentation also demonstrated that they had added new curricular changes, most significantly, the addition of one of two required courses (INF 282 or CSC 325) that specifically addressed skills required in the definition, with additional electives of three courses from the School of Computing and Analytics (SCA) that would further align the major with the CIP definition for Data Analytics that would not add undue prerequisites.

Representatives from SCA presented their opposition to the name change, pointing out that the name change could mislead students and potential employers and that it competed with the Business Analytics Minor already offered. They argued that the Mathematics and Statistics major did not distinguish itself clearly from Data Science. They also expressed disappointment that the Mathematics and Statistics faculty did not consult SCA about the updated curriculum. Finally, they suggested there had not been enough effort to align the Major in its newly proposed title with other Kentucky State Universities.

In contrast some UCC members expressed grave concerns over "word ownership." A general issue they hoped to address at a future meeting. See below for voting results.

The following passed unanimously:

- Department of Integrative Studies - Interdisciplinary Studies
- Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Organizational Leadership - Dropping “C-“requirement for all PSC/CJ/OL majors/minors
- School of Computing and Analytics - Business Analytics Minor
- School of Computing and Analytics - Computer Science, M.S.
- School of Computing and Analytics - Health Informatics, B.S.
- School of Media and Communication - Change general education requirement for CMST, HCOM, PRE, DFX, EMB, JOU programs
- School of Media and Communication - Prereq change for CMST 220, 230, 300, 303, 310, 317, 330, 333, 335, 340, 355, 360, 370, 381, 403, 405, 440 and HCOM 301
- Department of Economics and Finance - ECO - 485
- School of Computing and Analytics - INF - 201
- Department of History - Black Studies Minor
- Department of History - HIS - 385
- Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Organizational Leadership - International Studies, B.A.
- Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Organizational Leadership - PSC 350, 403, 415 Course Deletions
- Department of Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Organizational Leadership - Political Science, B.A.
- Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Philosophy - PHI - 345
- School of the Arts - Music - MUSE 305, MUSE 307, MUSE 321 contact hour change

The following passed, but not unanimously:

- Department of Accounting and Business Law - BUS – 100 (one opposed)
- Department of Mathematics and Statistics - Data Analytics & Statistics, B.S.
- (Passed 17-3)

University Curriculum Committee Chair

#### 4. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted Kimberly Allen-Kattus