

**Undergraduate Council Agenda
October 22, 2024/ 3-5 pm Main Building Room 009F**

Members Present

Kristine Urschel, Chair
Steven Arthur
Sarah Cprek
Dustin Faulstick
Kate Field
Regina Hannemann
Jake Higgins

Jack Kirn
Alicia Modenbach
Justin Nichols
Mark O'Bryan
Ashley Vowels
Miranda Hines
Joe Lewis

Members Absent

Cory Curl
Shelita Jackson
Katherine Paullin
David Stephenson
Nathan Congleton

Meeting Agenda

Meeting called to order at 3:02 PM

1. Welcome/Introductions
2. Approval of agenda (including consent agenda items)

Motion to approve by Mark O'Bryan; seconded by Regina Hannemann. All voted to approve.

3. Approval of October 8 meeting minutes

Motion to approve by Steven Arthur; seconded by Jack Kirn. All voted to approve.

4. Proposal review

- a) Consent Agenda

Stephenson, Modenbach, Nichols

[CAS 390](#)- New course

[CAS 490](#)- New course

Field, Cprek, O'Bryan

[CLD 330](#)- Drop course

[CLD 375](#)- Drop course

[CLD 440](#)- Drop course

Cprek, Field, Jackson

[HRT 240](#)- Course change (major, with UK Core)

Kirn, Faulstick, Nichols

[INT 200](#)- Course change (major, with UK Core)

Jackson, Hannemann, Field

[JAM 205](#)- New course

[JAM 206](#)- New course

Jackson, O'Bryan, Cprek

[JOU 287](#)- New course (with UK Core)

O'Bryan, Stephenson, Modenbach

[MUS 380](#)- New course

[MUS 381](#)- New course

Modenbach, Kirn, Faulstick

[USB 399](#)- New course

b) Discussion Agenda

Hannemann, Cprek, Higgins

[BS Dietetics](#)- Change degree

Rationale: The rationale for the proposed changes stems from a comprehensive evaluation of the educational and professional requirements of the dietetics field. Currently, the program requires the completion of chemistry courses which exceed the chemistry knowledge required in the dietetics profession. These advanced courses cover material that is not directly applicable to the practical needs and day-to-day functions of registered dietitians (RD). DHN is proposing to substitute these advanced chemistry courses with chemistry courses that are more relevant and foundational to the dietetics curriculum. These courses provide essential chemistry principles that dietetics students can directly apply to their studies in dietetics. This proposal has been developed with the approval of the chemistry department, ensuring that the changes maintain academic integrity while aligning better with the professional standards of dietetics (letter of support attached). Additionally, the introduction of approved DHN courses (DHN 210, DHN 315, and DHN 593) addresses identified gaps in the current curriculum. These courses aim to enhance student competencies in critical areas, providing a more comprehensive and applicable education that prepares students for real-world challenges in dietetics. Finally, all dietetics students are currently required to take STA 210. DHN is proposing to include STA 296 and BST 230 as options, as well (both of these are also approved to meet the UK Core Requirement for Statistical and Inferential Reasoning).

Additional discussion: No additional discussion

Motion to approve by Regina Hannemann; Seconded by Steven Arthur. All voted to approve.

Cprek, Curl, Paullin

[Minor- Health Promotion](#)- Significant change to minor

Rationale: To better define and describe the minor in Health Promotion change in course requirements, change in required number of credit hours, and a name change is being proposed. For students interested in the minor the specific classes will provide a strong foundation in health and wellness related topics, skills to promote personal wellbeing, and a solid knowledge base for future success in a health-related profession. The reduction of total number of credit hours from 24 to 20 will assist students in graduating in a timely manner. The name change is a better representation of what the minor is based on courses students will be taking.

Additional discussion: No additional discussion

Motion to approve by Justin Nichols; Seconded by Regina Hannemann. All voted to approve.

c) Proposals for general discussion

Faulstick

BA/BS Criminology- New degree

Discussion: The Department of Sociology is proposing a new degree in Criminology, with the rationale that there is demand for a more than just the currently offered minor in Criminology. There was some discussion regarding how this degree differed from the recent degree in Criminal Justice in more specific terms (understandable to someone without expertise in either area) and whether it would be appropriate to request that they request a letter of acknowledgement/support from the Criminal Justice program to confirm that it is not a duplication. During this discussion it also became evident that the proposed major is very similar to the Sociology major (same major requirement courses and directions for guided electives) and there was concern that students could potentially earn double majors/dual degrees with Sociology without needing to take any additional course work beyond getting to enough credit hours. Action items: primary reviewer will reach out to proposer to see if they are able/willing to get a letter of support from the Criminal Justice program and Undergraduate Council Chair will reach out to the Provost's office to get their feedback regarding these concerns. There was also the discussion that the proposer could be given the option to attend an upcoming Undergraduate Council meeting to answer questions if they are interested/available.

5. Old Business

6. New business

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mark O'Bryan; Seconded by Regina Hannemann. Meeting adjourned at 3:57 PM.