

# Undergraduate Committee Meeting

Agenda

AY 2021-2022

9:00 am – 11:00 am



## AGENDA – December 10, 2021

1) Chairs Call to Order @ **9:02 am**

2) Roll Call

RCV College of Business and Entrepreneurship	Ahmed Elnahas	Present
College of Engineering and Computer Science	Mounir Ben Ghalia	Absent
College of Education and P-16 Integration	Janine Schall	Present
College of Fine Arts	Robert Gilbert	Present
College of Liberal Arts	Lucas Espinoza	Present
College of Health Professions	Fidencio Mercado	Absent
College of Science	Nicolas Pereyra	Present
School of Nursing	Betty John	Present
School of Social Work	Noelia Alonzo	Present
University College	Marilyn Hagerty	Present
University Library	Justin White	Present
Office of the Provost (Ex- Officio)	Laura M. Saenz	Present

3) Consent Agenda

a) Minutes from November 12, 2021

**Motion to approve meeting minutes:** Ahmed Elnahas

**Second:** Robert Gilbert

**Motion Unanimously Passes**

4) New Business: Review of Submissions

a) College of Liberal Arts

i) School of Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement - **PRESENTER: Rosalynn Vega**

(1) CHANGE COURSE PROPOSALS

Name	Type	Comments	Effective Catalog Year
<a href="#">MEDH 4301 Senior Seminar in Medical Humanities</a>	Change Course	Department change from Writing Language Studies to Interdisciplinary Programs and Community Engagement, long course, short title, and course description change. Course is required in Medical Humanities minor. A change program form is not needed since the course is not being removed.	2022-2023

**Representative:** Rosalynn Vega

**Motion to approve:** Marilyn Hagerty

**Second:** Betty John

**Motion Unanimously Passes**

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ii) Department of Writing and Language Studies - **PRESENTER: Nazaret Fresno**

(1) CHANGE PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Name	Type	Comments	Effective Catalog Year
<a href="#">Spanish Translation and Interpreting, Bachelor of Arts</a>	Change Program	Changes to the course requirements to align with the changes to the BA - Spanish program. Course updates in the Linguistics Core and Prescribed electives.	2022-2023
<a href="#">Spanish Translation, Minor</a>	Change Program	Changes to the Translation program core requirements to allow students the option of taking SPAN 2313, SPAN 2315, or SPAN 3313 due to the implemented placement exam.	2022-2023

**Representative:** Nazaret Fresno

**Motion to approve BA - Spanish Translation and Interpreting change program:** Ahmed Elnahas

**Second:** Janine Schall

**Motion Unanimously passes**

**Representative:** Nazaret Fresno

**Motion to approve Spanish Translation minor change program:** Ahmed Elnahas

**Second:** Janine Schall

**Motion Unanimously passes**

### NOTES:

Dr. Saenz asked if the only Spanish language course students need to take is SPAN 2313. Nazaret clarified that the student would have to take a placement exam to be placed in either SPAN 2313, 2315 or 3313. It depends on the placement level of the student on whether they must take SPAN 2313, 2315 or 3313 or all the courses. Rosie asked for clarification on the Spanish readiness statement regarding the SPAN 1315, SPAN 2313, and SPAN 2315 courses since students transfer these courses from other institutions, would the department still allow. Nazaret confirmed they would allow.

### b) College of Sciences

i) Department of Biology - **PRESENTER: Robert Dearth**

(1) CHANGE PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Name	Type	Comments	Effective Catalog Year
<a href="#">Biology (Biological Science), Bachelor of Science</a>	Change Program	Removing the Development/Morphology area as a separate requirement in the Biology Focus. Courses from Developmental/Morphology will move to the remaining areas: Cell/Molecular Biology, Organismal/Environmental and Physiology.	2022-2023

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**Representative:** Robert Dearth

**Motion to approve:** Nicolas Pereyra

**Second:** Marilyn Hagerty

**Motion Unanimously Passes**

### **NOTES:**

Peter James asked how the change will impact students on prior catalogs. Robert clarified that all courses will be allowed. Rosie suggested moving students who are unable to complete the prior degree plans to move the new one. Dr. Saenz suggested Rosie work with Dr. Dearth on an acceptable list of courses that are allowed in the Developmental/Morphology section.

### **5) Announcements/Informational Items**

#### **a) College of Health Professions**

##### **i) Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders - PRESENTER: Teri Mata-Pistokache**

##### **(1) Update on the Leveling Curriculum**

Dr. Saenz updated the status of the proposed Leveling Certificate. It is common practice for the department to have the students complete the Leveling Curriculum but is not awarded as a Certificate. Teri informed the committee that the Leveling Curriculum was for students who do not have a degree in Communications Disorder to be able to practice as a Speech Therapist or a Speech Pathologist. The State of Texas requires a license awarded by the State Board to practice. This curriculum will allow student to take leveling courses and apply to take the license to practice. The plan is also to create a website and handbook for students.

**b) Next UG meeting: January 28, 2021**

**c) Joint Committee meeting: January 21, 2021 – purpose to review and endorse Fast-Track proposals and Cross-leveling courses.**

### **6) Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn:** Marilyn Hagerty

**Second:** Ahmed Elnahas

**Meeting adjourned @ 9:51am**