

University of North Texas at Dallas

Academic Council Minutes

February 26, 2019

Voting Members in Attendance:

Dr. Karen Shumway, *Dean, School of Business*
Dr. John Gasko, *Dean, School of Education*
Dr. Constance Lacy, *Dean, School of Human Services*
Dr. Mario Casa de Calvo, *Interim Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences*
Dr. Ali Shaqlaih, *Interim Dean, Graduate School*
Felecia Epps, *Dean, College of Law*
Dr. Iftekhar Amin, *Faculty Alliance Vice-Chair*
Christopher Marshall, *SGA-Vice President*
Jessica Gilmore on behalf of Rian Wilhite, *Director, Academic Advising*
Brenda Robertson, *University Librarian*

Non-Voting Members in Attendance:

Dr. Betty H. Stewart, *Provost and EVP for Academic Affairs*
John Capocci, *University Registrar*
Luis Franco, *University Director of Undergraduate Admissions*
Dr. Dawn Remmers, *Assistant Provost*
Shaniece Miller, *Staff Council Representative*
Garrick Hildebrand, *Director of Financial Aid*

Other Attendees:

Jerrold Tynes, *Lecturer of Urban Agriculture*
Dr. Walt Borges, *Associate Professor of Political Science*
Katrina Cornish, *Academic Scheduling Coordinator*
Dr. Pamela Thompson, *Assistant Professor Business Accounting*
Dr. Cathy Scott, *Associate Professor of Business Accounting*
Desmond Morris, *Director of Distance Learning*

Approval of Minutes:

January 2019 Minutes approved with ten of ten voting. (closed)

All proposed changes are marked as such:
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Old Business:

There being no Old Business to discuss, the Council moved on to New Business. (closed)

New Business:

A. Policy Revision (*Dr. Dawn Remmers, Assistant Provost*)

Graduation with Honors Policy, effective Fall 2019 – *see appendix*

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

B. Policy Revision (*Dr. Ali Shaqlaih, Interim Dean, Graduate School*)

Incomplete Grades Policy for Undergraduate and Graduate, effective Fall 2019 – *see appendix*

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

C. New Course Additions (*School of Liberal Arts and Sciences*)

BIOL 3370 (Introduction to Scientific Illustration and Art)

New Course Addition, effective Fall 2019

Department: Life and Health Sciences

Additional Information: This will increase the upper-level Biology electives available for our growing number of Biology majors earning either a B.A. or B.S. in Biological Sciences. It will provide an opportunity to learn scientific art and one kind of scientific communication to our Biology majors.

AGRI 3330 (Human Dimensions of Wildlife Management)

New Course Addition, effective Fall 2019

Department: Life and Health Sciences

Additional Information: This is a new course that will be added to the BAAS Urban Agriculture concentration.

PSCI 4350 (Quantitative Political Research Design and Analysis)

New Course Addition, effective Spring 2019

Department: History and Political Science

Additional Information: This course is required for all political science majors as part of the political science major core. The course is best taken before the PSCI Capstone, as it seeks to lay a foundation of social science research concepts, make students

discerning consumers of existing political science research, and aid the design of viable political science research.

PSCI 4351 (Advanced Seminar in Political Science (Capstone))

New Course Addition, effective Spring 2019

Department: History and Political Science

Additional Information: This course is required for all political science majors in order to provide major students with experience in conceiving, implementing, and writing up sophisticated research and will involve research problem identification, supervised research design, theory and literature reviews, and data analysis.

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

D. New Course Additions (*School of Business*)

ACCT 3380 (Ethics for Accountants)

New Course Addition, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

Additional Information: CPA exam candidates are required to have completed a Texas State Board of Public Accountancy (TSBPA) approved ethics course before sitting for the CPA exam. The course must be taken at an educational institution, and if only one section is being offered, it must be in a traditional face to face format. Currently our MBA students are taking an ethics course, ACCT 5200 Professional Ethics & Corporate Governance, but this course is not TSBPA board approved. ACCT 5200 is a general ethics course, not solely for accounting majors. For that reason we are proposing an entirely new course as part of the proposed changes to the Accounting BBA program. We believe that replacing the non-approved general ethics course with an approved ethics course will better serve accounting students, particularly those planning to pursue CPA licensing in the future.

ACCT 4330 (Data Analytics for Accounting)

New Course Addition, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

Additional Information: This field of Accounting is evolving. The workplace of the future requires Accounting graduates to not only understand the role of Big Data in Accounting, but also be also to utilize various data analytic tools to make decisions and solve problems. Additionally, Accounting certification exams are

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incorporating data analytic skills as soon as 2019 (CPA 2019, IMA 2020). Therefore, this course will allow students to learn and apply data analytic concepts in various areas of Accounting (i.e. Auditing, Managerial/Cost Accounting and Tax), in order to gain the necessary skills required in their future career.

ACCT 4370 (Governmental and Not-for-Profit Accounting)

New Course Addition, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

Additional Information: Due to the number of governmental and not-for-profit organizations in the UNTD service area, this course is proposed as an Accounting elective for students who may want to enter these fields of Accounting after graduation.

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

E. Course Change Requests (School of Business)

ACCT 3110 (Intermediate Accounting I)

Course description change, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

New course description: In-depth study of preparation and presentation of financial information for outside users. Includes standard setting, accounting cycle, adjustments, and preparation of financial statements, valuation, and ethical considerations. Focus on recognition, measurement, and disclosure for the operating activities of the entity.

Additional information: The changes are being proposed in order to teach the concepts contained in ACCT 3110 and ACCT 3120 in a sequence of operating activities, investing activities, and financing activities,. This change allows for better distribution of the material between the two courses.

ACCT 3120 (Intermediate Accounting II)

Course description change, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

New course description: In-depth study of preparation and presentation of financial information for outside users. Includes analysis of noncurrent assets, depreciation, long-term liabilities, contributed capital and retained earnings.

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Focuses on recognition, measurement, and disclosure for investing and financing activities of the entity.

Additional information: This change is being proposed in order to align the prerequisite format for the courses within the accounting program.

ACCT 4100 (Accounting Systems)

Course prerequisite change, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

Existing prerequisites: ACCT 3120 is a corequisite; must have 2.5 GPA in all ACCT 3000-level and 4000-level courses taken at UNT Dallas, or their equivalents taken at other colleges and universities.

New prerequisites: ACCT 3110 with a grade of C or better. May not be taken more than twice at UNT Dallas. Students may not retake this course once they have completed (with a grade of C or better) a course for which this is a prerequisite. ACCT 3120 is a corequisite or may be taken prior to ACCT 4100 with program approval.

Additional information: This change is being proposed in order to align the prerequisite format for the courses within the accounting program.

ACCT 4100 (Accounting Systems)

Course prerequisite change, effective Fall 2019

Department: Accounting

Existing prerequisites: ACCT 3120 and 4100. Must have 2.5 GPA in all ACCT 3000-level and 4000-level courses taken at UNT Dallas, or their equivalents taken at other colleges and universities. May not be taken more than twice at UNT Dallas.

New prerequisites: ACCT 3110 and ACCT 4100 (both with a grade of C or better). May not be taken more than twice at UNT Dallas.

Additional information: This change is being proposed in order to align the prerequisite format for the courses within the accounting program.

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

F. Program Change Request (*School of Business*)

BBA in Accounting

Department: Accounting

Program required courses and elective changes, effective Fall 2019

Additional information: (see appendix)

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

G. New Course Additions to the Core (*School of Liberal Arts and Sciences*)

MATH 1324 (Business Math I), effective Fall 2019

Department: Mathematics

MATH 1353 (Geometry and Measurement for Teachers), effective Fall 2019

Department: Mathematics

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

H. New Course Additions to the Core (*School of Education*)

LING 2050 (The Language of Now: Pop Culture, Technology and Society),
effective Fall 2019

Department: Teacher Education

LING 2380 (How English Works), effective Fall 2019

Department: Teacher Education

*Additional information: per Dean Gasko, these will fall under the Communication
area of the Core.*

Motion passed with ten of ten voting. (closed)

I. New Course Addition to the Core (*School of Business*)

ECON 1100 (Principles of Microeconomics), effective Fall 2019

Department: Business

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Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted.

Essence Cleveland

Executive Assistant to the Provost

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