

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE - 2006-2007

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Dr. Amy B. Batal

Arts and Sciences - Dr. Charles L. Platter (Arts)

Dr. Rodney Mauricio (Sciences)

Business - Dr. Stephen P. Baginski

Education - Dr. Todd D. Dinkelman

Environment and Design - Mr. Scott S. Weinberg

Family and Consumer Sciences - Dr. Jan M. Hathcote

Forestry and Natural Resources - Dr. David H. Newman, absent (voted by proxy)

Journalism and Mass Communication - Dr. Wendy A. Macias

Law - Mr. David E. Shipley

Pharmacy - Dr. Keith N. Herist

Public and International Affairs - Dr. Jeffrey D. Berejikian

Public Health – Dr. Stephen L. Rathbun

Social Work - Dr. Patricia M. Reeves, absent

Veterinary Medicine - Dr. Paige Carmichael

Graduate School - Dr. Malcolm R. Adams

Ex-officio Member – Dr. Arnett C. Mace

Undergraduate Student Representative – Ms. Alison Gibbons

Graduate Student Representative – Ms. Lindsey Scott

Guests: Dr. Harry Dickerson

Dr. Delmer Dunn

Dr. Duncan Ferguson

Mr. Jere Morehead

Dr. Lance Palmer

Dr. Anne Sweaney

Dr. William Whitman

The University Curriculum Committee met on August 28, 2006, at 3:00 p.m. in the Peabody Board Room. Minutes of the March 31, 2006, meeting were approved.

The committee approved the following proposals which will be forwarded to the Executive Committee of University Council for consideration:

Proposal for a Dual Degree:

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

Proposal to offer a non-thesis option for the major in Housing and Consumer Economics (M.S.)

The committee approved the following new prefixes:

BINF: Bioinformatics

ESSE: Elementary and Social Studies Education

The committee established an ad hoc committee to examine distance education courses and consider revision of Academic Affairs Policy Statement #17, Extended Education.

The following UCC members agreed to serve on the ad hoc committee:

Dr. Keith Herist

Dr. Wendy Macias

Dr. Stephen Rathbun

A discussion was held concerning the implementation of plus minus grading scales. Dr. Mace made several background comments concerning the plus minus grading system. After a lengthy discussion, the committee established an ad hoc committee to review possible plus/minus grading scales. The following UCC members agreed to serve on this ad hoc committee:

Dr. Rodney Mauricio
Dr. Stephen Baginski
Dr. Paige Carmichael
Dr. Malcolm Adams

The committee elected the following subcommittee chairs:

Physical Sciences and Mathematics: Dr. Amy Batal
Biological Sciences: Dr. David Newman
Social Sciences: Mr. David Shipley
Humanities and Fine Arts: Dr. Wendy Macias
Other Professional Courses: Dr. Stephen Baginski

The committee received as an information item a Report on College Board Advanced Placement at the University of Georgia. Dr. Dunn presented the report and answered questions from the committee.

A copy of the report is available online at:

<http://www.curriculumsystems.uga.edu/UCC/report%20adv.placement.pdf>

Dr. Hathcote, chair of the General Education Subcommittee, provided a detailed background and overview of the development of a proposed General Education Curriculum by the Task Force on General Education and subsequent faculty forums and General Education Subcommittee work to develop the proposed plan. The committee also received the following information items concerning the General Education Curriculum:

New Proposed General Education Curriculum
Revision of Academic Affairs Policy Statement #14, General Education Curriculum
Comparison of Current UGA Core and Proposed General Education Curriculum

An announcement was made about a forum to discuss the proposed General Education Curriculum on September 25, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. in room 150 of the Student Learning Center.

These items are also available online:

<http://www.curriculumsystems.uga.edu/UCC/Agenda082806.html>

The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



William K. Vencill, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Dr. Arnett C. Mace, Jr.
Dr. Delmer D. Dunn