



University Council

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – 2025-2026

Susan Sanchez, Chair

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Julie Campbell

Arts and Sciences – Casie LeGette (Arts)

Paula Lemons (Sciences)

Business – Andrew Miller

Ecology – Amanda Rugenski

Education – Amy Murphy

Engineering – David Stooksbury

Environment and Design – Katherine Melcher, absent

Family and Consumer Sciences – Melissa Landers-Potts

Forestry and Natural Resources – Richard Chandler

Journalism and Mass Communication – Yan Jin

Law – Joe Miller

Medicine – Erica Brownfield

Pharmacy – Duc Do

Public and International Affairs – Ryan Powers

Public Health – Heather Padilla

Social Work – Jennifer Elkins

Veterinary Medicine – Paul Eubig

Graduate School – Rodney Mauricio, David Garfinkel substituting

Ex-Officio – Provost Benjamin Ayers

Undergraduate Student Representative – Ella Colker

Graduate Student Representative – Yaw Buabeng

Guests:

Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett

Marisa Pagnattaro

Josh Rubin

Zolinda Stoneman

Elizabeth Weeks

Anisa Zvonkovic

The University Curriculum Committee met on August 15, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. in 207 Holmes-Hunter Academic Building.

Minutes of the April 18, 2025, University Curriculum Committee meeting were approved.

The committee unanimously approved the following proposals, which were forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration:

- Proposal for the following institute name change:

- From: Institute on Human Development and Disability
- To: David Ralston Institute for Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
- Proposal to offer the existing major in English Education (M.A.T.) online
- Proposal to deactivate the major in Water and Soil Resources (B.S.E.S.)

Chair Susan Sanchez provided an overview of committee policies and procedures and an update on ongoing committee work.

The committee elected the following course approval subcommittee chairs:

- Julie Campbell, Chair of the Physical Sciences and Mathematics subcommittee
- Richard Chandler, Chair of the Biological Sciences subcommittee
- Joe Miller, Chair of the Social Sciences subcommittee
- Casie LeGette, Chair of the Humanities and Fine Arts subcommittee
- Andrew Miller, Chair of the Other Professional Courses subcommittee

The following information items were presented to the committee:

The administrative home of the Graduate Certificate in Financial Literacy was moved from the Department of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education in the Mary Frances Early College of Education to the Department of Financial Planning, Housing, and Consumer Economics in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee met on May 6, 2025, and approved the following non-credit activities to be included in the Experiential Learning Implementation Plans for various schools/colleges:

Coaching4Success Academic Coaches (*Service; OVPI*)
 Holbrook Society (*Leadership; GA Museum of Art*)
 Residential Belonging Assistants (*Leadership; Student Affairs*)

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee denied the following courses to be included in the Experiential Learning Implementation Plans:

ANTH 4620, Applied Anthropology (*Creative; Arts and Sciences*)
 GRMN 3880, Transnational Germany: Contemporary German Film, Literature, Art, and Popular Culture (*Research; Arts and Sciences*)
 GRMN 3890, Creativity vs. Crisis: 1920s Berlin in Literature, Film, and Art (*Research; Arts and Sciences*)

The Institutional Competencies Subcommittee met 25 times since February 2025. The subcommittee considered 1,298 courses, of which 1,050 were approved to satisfy at least one of the six different competencies. The subcommittee provided guidance for the submission and resubmission of courses and activities to satisfy Institutional Competencies.

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.



Susan Sanchez, Chair

cc: Provost Benjamin Ayers
Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro

Appendix A - Motion/Seconds

Approval of the April 18, 2025, University Curriculum Committee minutes:

- Motion: Erica Brownfield
- Second: Casie LeGette
- Unanimously approved

Proposal to change the name of the Institute on Human Development and Disability to the David Ralston Institute for Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

- Motion: Ryan Powers
- Second: Erica Brownfield
- Unanimously approved

Proposal to offer the existing major in English Education (M.A.T.) online

- Motion: Ryan Powers
- Second: Richard Chandler
- Unanimously approved

Proposal to deactivate the major in Water and Soil Resources (B.S.E.S.)

- Motion: Richard Chandler
- Second: Ryan Powers
- Unanimously approved