UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – 2014-2015

Dr. William K. Vencill, Chair
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - Dr. Robert B. Beckstead
Arts and Sciences - Dr. Roxanne Eberle (Arts)
                             Dr. Rodney Mauricio (Sciences), absent
Business - Dr. Myra L. Moore
Ecology - Dr. James W. Porter, absent
Education - Dr. Seock-Ho Kim, absent
Engineering - Dr. Sidney Thompson
Environment and Design - Mr. David Spooner
Family and Consumer Sciences - Dr. Silvia Giraudo
Forestry and Natural Resources - Dr. John C. Maerz, absent
Journalism and Mass Communication - Dr. Alison F. Alexander
Law - Ms. Elizabeth Weeks Leonard, absent, Mr. Kent H. Barnett substituting
Pharmacy - Dr. Cory Momany
Public and International Affairs - Dr. Robert Grafstein
Public Health - Dr. Katie D. Hein
Social Work - Dr. Kristina Jaskyte
Veterinary Medicine - Dr. Scott A. Brown, absent, Dr. Mary K. Hondalus substituting
Graduate School - Dr. Timothy L. Foutz
Ex-Officio - Provost Pamela S. Whitten
Undergraduate Student Representative - Mr. William Heaton
Graduate Student Representative - Ms. Lauren E. Mullenbach

Guests:  Dr. Brian Glaser       Dr. James Zhang       Dr. Ramana Pidaparti
         Dr. Thomas Cauthen     Ms. Laurie Norris     Dr. Thomas Lawrence
         Dr. Merrily Dunn       Dr. Lisa Donovan      Dr. Robert Fecho

The University Curriculum Committee met on April 17, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. in room 315 New College.

Minutes of the March 20, 2015, meeting were approved.

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

Proposal for a new minor in Human Services Leadership
Proposal for a new minor in Leadership in Student Affairs
Proposal for a new minor in Sport Management

The committee approved a request for a new Area of Emphasis in Poetry and Poetics under the major in English (A.B.).

Committee on Facilities, Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics, Committee on Statutes, Bylaws, and Committees,
Committee on Student Affairs, Curriculum Committee, Educational Affairs Committee, Executive Committee, Faculty Admissions Committee,
Faculty Affairs Committee, Faculty Grievance Committee, Faculty Post-Tenure Review Appeals Committee, Faculty/Staff Parking Appeals Committee,
Human Resources Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, University Libraries Committee, University Promotion and Tenure Appeals Committee
An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution
The committee approved a request for the following new areas of emphasis under the major in Plant Biology (B.S.):
Area of Emphasis in Plant Ecology and Environment
Area of Emphasis in Plant Biotechnology and Bioinformatics

After some discussion, the committee approved a request with a friendly amendment to add a high-demand status to the following majors in the College of Engineering:
Agricultural Engineering (B.S.A.E.)
Biochemical Engineering (B.S.Bch.E.)
Biological Engineering (B.S.B.E.)
Civil Engineering (B.S.C.E.)
Computer Systems Engineering (B.S.C.S.E.)
Electrical and Electronics Engineering (B.S.E.E.)
Environmental Engineering (B.S.Env.E.)
Mechanical Engineering (B.S.M.E.)

The committee approved a request for the following new areas of emphasis under the major in Language and Literacy Education (Ph.D.):
Area of Emphasis in Reading Education, Children’s Literature and Language Arts (P-5 Emphasis)
Area of Emphasis in Reading Education, Literature and Language Arts (6-12 Emphasis)
Area of Emphasis in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (P-12 Emphasis)
Area of Emphasis in World Language Education (P-12 Emphasis)

The change in the required hours for the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (B.L.A.) from 150 hours to 120 hours was presented to the committee as an information item.

The committee elected Dr. William Vencill as the University Curriculum Committee Chair for the 2015–2016 academic year.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

William K. Vencill, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

Cc: Provost Pamela S. Whitten
Dr. Rahul Shrivastav