



**UCC Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 21, 2024**  
**2:00-5:00 p.m.**

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## **Minutes**

Voting Members: Sang Ahn, Robert Anderson, Caroline Budwell, Amy Burlar, Mariah Crilley, Catherine Crump, Kimberly Davis, Yonella Demars, James Gahagan, Rachel Hill, Jared Johnson, Filipe Leitao, Patrick Lowery, Edna Renee Macbeth, Meera Mehtaji, Stephanie Odera, Faye Prichard, Kristin Reed, Sara Reed, Scott Robinson, Oliver Speck, Steph Venetti

Non-Voting Members: Karen Cary, Barbara Judy, Sandy Morgan

Academic Affairs Representation: Rob DiRenzo, Katrice Hawthorne, Christy Tyndall, Carolina Yaber

Guests: Andrew Arroyo, Elizabeth Baker, Cinzia Corubolo, Meredith Dean, Michelle Edmonds, Keith Ellis, Mike Foder, Laura Frankart, Robert Gowdy, Katy Hanggi, Marcus Messner, Lauren Mortensen, Maureen Moslow-Benway, Jen Olson, Amy Rector Joseph Reiner, Teri Smith, Jeni Stanley-Shanks, Steven Tyler

Absent: Laurie Cathers, Madeline Goldman, Elena Olson, Stephanie Thulin, Jamie Williams, Lisa Yamin

### **I Call to Order**

### **II Approval of Minutes**

[October UCC Minutes](#) [Approved]

### **III Focused Inquiry curriculum discussion**

*A brief history of the focused inquiry course sequence was given followed by an overview of the forthcoming changes. Committee members were asked to vet the changes with their respective academic units and bring questions/concerns back to the committee's February meeting. Katy Hanggi indicated she would be available to address any questions/concerns prior to the February meeting.*

**IV New Business****Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs****Wilder GVPA-Dean's Office****Reviewers: Primary: Yonella Demars, Secondary: Katie Crump***New Program*

BS:MA CRJ: Accelerated opportunities tab for CRJ to HSP [Approved]

**School of Pharmacy****Pharmacy-Dean's Office****Reviewers: Primary: Yonella Demars, Secondary: Katie Crump***Course Change*

PSCI 320: Molecules to Medicine I [Approved]

*Program Change*

BS-PHS: Pharmaceutical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) [Approved]

*New Program*

BS:DPHA PHS: Accelerated opportunities tab for BSPS to PharmD [Approved]

**School of Nursing****Nursing-Dean's Office****Reviewers: Primary: Yonella Demars, Secondary: Katie Crump***Course Changes*

NURS 301: Nursing Informatics [Approved]

NURS 307: Professional Nursing Role Development I [Approved]

NURS 308: Professional Nursing Role Development II [Approved]

NURS 403: Evidence-Based Practice in Health Care [Approved]

NURS 408: Ethics, Law and Public Policy: Application to Nursing Practice [Approved]

NURS 462: Advanced Pathophysiological Concepts: Application to Patient Care [Approved]

NURS 478: Leadership and Management in Health Care [Approved]

NURS 488: Integrated Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice [Approved]

**Reviewers: Primary: Laurie Cathers, Secondary: Scott Robinson***New Courses*

NURS 411: Population Health: Application to Nursing Practice [Tabled]

NURS 414: Interprofessional Collaborative Practice [Approved]

*Program Changes*

BS-NURB: Nursing, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) [Approved]

BS-NURB: Nursing, Bachelor of Science (B.S.), R.N.-B.S. completion program [Approved]

**IV New Business (cont.)****VCU Life Sciences****Center for Environmental Studies****Reviewers: Primary: Laurie Cathers, Secondary: Scott Robinson***New Courses*

ENVS 225: Personal Knowledge Management: Building Your AI-Supported Second Brain

**[Approved]**ENVS 381: Healthy Food: Behaviors and Environments **[Approved]****VCU Life Sciences****Center for Biological Data Science****Reviewers: Primary: Laurie Cathers, Secondary: Scott Robinson***Program Changes*BS-BNF-BG: Bioinformatics, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in biological/genomic sciences **[Approved]**BS-BNF-CO: Bioinformatics, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in computational sciences **[Approved]**BS-BNF-QS: Bioinformatics, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in quantitative/statistical sciences **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****School of World Studies****Reviewers: Primary: Laurie Cathers, Secondary: Scott Robinson***Course Changes*INTL 215: International Studies in the Professional World **[Approved]**INTL 460: Contemporary Issues in Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies: \_\_\_\_ **[Approved]**SETI 423: Medical Interpretation **[Tabled]****Reviewers: Primary: Amy Burlar, Secondary: Caroline Budwell***New Course*ANTH 346: Science Fiction and the Anthropology of Transhumanism **[Approved]***Program Changes*BA-INT-EU: International Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in European studies **[Tabled]**BA-INT-ISJS: International Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in international social justice studies **[Tabled]**BA-INT-LTAM: International Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in Latin American studies **[Tabled]**BA-INT-WC: International Studies, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in world cinema **[Tabled]**CUG-STI: Spanish/English Translation and Interpretation, Certificate in (Undergraduate certificate) **[Approved]**

**IV New Business (cont.)****College of Humanities and Sciences****School of World Studies****Reviewers: Primary: Amy Burlar, Secondary: Caroline Budwell***Minor Changes*GEH: Global environmental humanities, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)ISJ: International social justice studies, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)ITS: Italian studies, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)MEI: Middle Eastern and Islamic studies, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)RSS: Russian studies, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)WDC: World cinema, minor in [\[Approved\]](#)**College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Sociology****Reviewers: Primary: Amy Burlar, Secondary: Caroline Budwell***New Course*SOCY 222: Sociology of Sport [\[Approved\]](#)*Program Changes*BS:MS SOC: Accelerated opportunities tab for sociology to gerontology [\[Approved\]](#)BS:MS SOC: Accelerated opportunities tab for sociology [\[Approved\]](#)**College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Political Science****Reviewers: Primary: Sara Reed, Secondary: Robert Anderson***Course Changes*POLI 300: Issues in American Politics: \_\_\_\_ [\[Approved\]](#)POLI 304: Presidential Primaries [\[Tabled\]](#)POLI 358: Issues in Comparative Politics: \_\_\_\_ [\[Approved\]](#)POLI 361: Issues in World Politics: \_\_\_\_ [\[Approved\]](#)POLI 382: Politics of Global Health [\[Approved\]](#)*New Courses*POLI 325: VCU Votes [\[Approved\]](#)POLI 349: Pacific Government and Politics: International Security and Local Perspectives [\[Approved\]](#)POLI 496: Diplomacy Lab [\[Approved\]](#)**College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Physics and Physical Science****Reviewers: Primary: Sara Reed, Secondary: Robert Anderson***Course Changes*PHYS 301: Classical Mechanics I [\[Approved\]](#)PHYS 320: Modern Physics [\[Approved\]](#)PHYS 340: Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics [\[Approved\]](#)

**IV New Business (cont.)****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Physics and Physical Science****Reviewers: Primary: Sara Reed, Secondary: Robert Anderson***Course Changes (cont.)*PHYS 376: Electromagnetism I **[Approved]***Program Change*BS:MS PHY: Accelerated opportunities tab for physics **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Philosophy****Reviewers: Primary: Meera Mehtaji, Secondary: Filipe Leitao***New Course*PHIL 333: Philosophy of Medicine **[Approved]***Program Changes*

BA-PHI: Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

BA-PHI-EY: Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in ethics and public policy

**[Approved]**

BA-PHI-PHLW: Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in philosophy and law

**[Approved]**

BA-PHI-PHSC: Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in philosophy and science

**[Approved]***New Concentration*

BA-PHI-P4: Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) with a concentration in ethics and philosophy of

AI **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics****Reviewers: Primary: Meera Mehtaji, Secondary: Filipe Leitao***Course Change*MATH 409: General Topology **[Approved]***Program Changes*BS-MAS-AM: Mathematical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in applied mathematics **[Approved]**BS-MAS-BI: Mathematical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in biomathematics **[Approved]**BS-MAS-GMSC: Mathematical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in general mathematical sciences **[Approved]**BS-MAS-MA: Mathematical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in mathematics **[Approved]**BS-MAS-TP: Mathematical Sciences, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in secondary teacher preparation **[Approved]**

**IV New Business (cont.)****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics****Reviewers: Primary: Meera Mehtaji, Secondary: Filipe Leitao***Program Changes (cont.)*BS:MS MAS:M: Accelerated opportunities tab for applied mathematics and biomathematics to applied mathematics **[Approved]**BS:MS MAS:M: Accelerated opportunities tab for applied mathematics to mathematics **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****Humanities and Sciences-Dean's Office****Reviewers: Primary: Meera Mehtaji, Secondary: Filipe Leitao***Program Changes*BS-SCI-BY: Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in biology **[Approved]****Reviewers: Primary: Sang Ahn, Secondary: Stephanie Odera**BS-SCI-CY: Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in chemistry **[Approved]**BS-SCI-PS: Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in professional science **[Approved]**BS-SCI-PZ: Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in physics **[Approved]**  
*Minor Change*ECO: Economics, minor in **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of Forensic Science****Reviewers: Primary: Sang Ahn, Secondary: Stephanie Odera***Program Changes*BS-FOS-FSBY: Forensic Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in forensic biology **[Approved]**BS-FOS-FSCY: Forensic Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in forensic chemistry **[Approved]**BS-FOS-PHEV: Forensic Science, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in physical evidence **[Approved]****College of Humanities and Sciences****Department of English****Reviewers: Primary: Sang Ahn, Secondary: Stephanie Odera***Course Change*AMST 348: The Literature of Addiction **[Approved]***New Courses*AMST 312: Introduction to Health Humanities **[Approved]**ENGL 349: Care, Ethics and Literature **[Approved]**



#### IV New Business (cont.)

##### College of Humanities and Sciences

##### Department of English

**Reviewers: Primary: Sang Ahn, Secondary: Stephanie Odera**

*Minor Change*

HHU: Health humanities, minor in **[Approved]**

##### College of Humanities and Sciences

##### RTRobertson School of Communication

**Reviewers: Primary: Sang Ahn, Secondary: Stephanie Odera**

Course Changes

MASC 285: Scriptwriting **[Approved]**

MASC 367: Media Production I **[Approved]**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kristin Reed, Secondary: Steph Venetti**

MASC 439: Agency **[Approved]**

*Program Changes*

BS-MAC-AGCR: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in advertising/creative **[Approved]**

BS-MAC-AGST: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in advertising/strategic **[Approved]**

BS-MAC-JRBC: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in journalism/broadcast **[Approved]**

BS-MAC-JRDG: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in journalism/digital **[Approved]**

BS-MAC-MD: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in media production **[Approved]**

BS-MAC-PB: Mass Communications, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) with a concentration in public relations **[Approved]**

*Nondegree-Seeking Program Closure* **[Approved]**

N/A-MCL: Mass Communications-Lower Division

##### College of Humanities and Sciences

##### Department of Chemistry

**Reviewers: Primary: Kristin Reed, Secondary: Steph Venetti**

*Course Change*

CHEM 101: General Chemistry I **[Approved]**

*Program Change*

BS:MS CHE: Accelerated opportunities tab for chemistry/chemical science concentration **[Approved]**

#### **IV New Business (cont.)**

##### **College of Humanities and Sciences**

##### **Department of Biology**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kristin Reed, Secondary: Steph Venetti**

##### *Program Changes*

BS:MS BIO: Accelerated opportunities tab for biology to health and movement sciences **[Tabled]**

BS:MS BIO: Accelerated opportunities tab for biology to biology **[Tabled]**

##### **College of Health Professions**

##### **Health Professions-Dean's Office**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kristin Reed, Secondary: Steph Venetti**

##### *Course Changes*

ALHP 300: Communication Strategies in Health Services **[Approved]**

ALHP 490: BSHS Community Internship Experience I **[Approved]**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

##### *Program Change*

BS-HSV: Health Services, Bachelor of Science (B.S.) **[Approved]**

##### *Minor Change*

HSV: Health services, minor in **[Approved]**

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Department of Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

##### *New Programs*

BS:MS MCE: Accelerated opportunities tab for MCE to BME **[Approved]**

BS:MS MCE: Accelerated opportunities tab for MCE to CSC **[Approved]**

BS:MS MCE: Accelerated opportunities tab for MCE to EGR **[Approved]**

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Engineering-Dean's Office**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

##### *New Course*

ENGR 494: Intern or Co-op for Credit **[Approved]**

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

##### *New Program*

BS:MS CPE: Accelerated opportunities tab for CPE to EGR **[Approved]**



#### **IV New Business (cont.)**

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Department of Chemical and Life Science Engineering**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

*New Course*

CLSE 491: Special Topics [Approved]

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Department of Chemical and Life Science Engineering**

**Reviewers: Primary: Rachel Hill, Secondary: James Gahagan**

*New Programs*

BS:MS CLE: Accelerated opportunities tab for CLE to CSC [Approved]

BS:MS CLE: Accelerated opportunities tab for CLE to BME [Approved]

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

BS:MS CLE: Accelerated opportunities tab for CLE to EGR [Approved]

BS:MS CLE: Accelerated opportunities tab for CLE to MNE [Approved]

##### **College of Engineering**

##### **Department of Biomedical Engineering**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

*New Programs*

BS:MS BME: Accelerated opportunities tab for BME to CSC [Approved]

BS:MS BME: Accelerated opportunities tab for BME to EGR [Approved]

*New Minor*

RMD: Regenerative medicine, minor in [Approved]

##### **School of Business**

##### **Department of Supply Chain Management and Analytics**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

*Course Change*

SCMA 320: Production/Operations Management [Approved]

*New Course*

SCMA 450: Introduction to Circular Supply Chains [Approved]

##### **School of Business**

##### **Department of Information Systems**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

*Program Change*

CPU-ISY: Information Systems, Certificate in (Post-baccalaureate undergraduate certificate)  
[Approved]

#### **IV New Business (cont.)**

##### **School of Business**

##### **Department of Marketing**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

##### *Course Changes*

MKTG 336: Content Marketing **[Approved]**

MKTG 345: Personal Branding and Influencer Marketing **[Approved]**

MKTG 435: Professional Selling II: Advanced Sales Techniques **[Approved]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Department of Sculpture and Extended Media**

**Reviewers: Primary: Kimberly Davis, Secondary: Patrick Lowery**

##### *Course Change*

SCPT 301: Speculative Futures **[Approved]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Department of Painting and Printmaking**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *Course Changes*

PAPR 290: Concepts and Issues **[Approved]**

PAPR 292: Concepts and Issues II **[Approved]**

PAPR 314: Print Practice and Theory **[Approved]**

##### *Program Change*

BFA-PAP: Painting and Printmaking, Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) **[Approved]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Department of Interior Design**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *New Course*

IDES 494: Interior Design Practicum **[Approved]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Department of Fashion Design and Merchandising**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *Program Change*

BFA-FDE-DE: Fashion, Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) with a concentration in fashion design **[Approved]**

#### **IV New Business (cont.)**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Arts-Qatar Dean's Office**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *Program Change*

BFA-PAP-QTR: Painting and Printmaking, Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) [VCUQ] **[Approved]**

##### *Minor Change*

IAH: Islamic art history, minor in – VCU Qatar Campus **[Approved]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Department of Art History**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *Course Changes*

ARTH 465: Islamic Art in a Global Context 1800 to 1900 CE **[Tabled]**

ARTH 466: Modern and Contemporary Art in the Middle East **[Tabled]**

##### **School of the Arts**

##### **Arts-Dean's Office**

**Reviewers: Primary: Jared Johnson, Secondary: Oliver Speck**

##### *Course Changes*

CINE 200: Cinema Form and Concept I **[Approved]**

CINE 201: Cinema Form and Concept II **[Approved]**

#### **V Consent Agenda**

##### **College of Humanities and Sciences**

##### **School of World Studies**

**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**

##### *Course Change – Removing Corequisite*

ANTH 307: Human Osteology **[Approved]**

##### *Course Inactivations*

ANTZ 301: Human Evolution Lab **[Approved]**

ANTZ 303: Archaeological Methods and Research Design Lab **[Approved]**

ANTZ 307: Human Osteology Lab **[Approved]**

ANTZ 403: Primatology Lab **[Approved]**

##### **College of Humanities and Sciences**

##### **Department of Sociology**

**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**

##### *Course Change – Adding Modality*

SOCY 302: Contemporary Social Problems **[Approved]**

#### **IV Consent Agenda (Cont.)**

**College of Humanities and Sciences**  
**RTRobertson School of Communication**  
**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**  
*Course Change – Simple Title Change*  
MASC 415: Media Production II **[Approved]**

**College of Humanities and Sciences**  
**Department of Chemistry**  
**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**  
*Course Inactivations*  
CHEM 303: Physical Chemistry **[Approved]**  
CHEM 304: Physical Chemistry **[Approved]**  
CHEM 305: Physical Chemistry for the Life Sciences **[Approved]**  
CHEM 401: Applications of Instrumental Techniques in Organic and Forensic Chemistry **[Approved]**  
CHEZ 303: Physical Chemistry Laboratory I **[Approved]**  
CHEZ 304: Physical Chemistry Laboratory II **[Approved]**

**College of Humanities and Sciences**  
**Department of English**  
**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**  
*Course Inactivation*  
ENGL 433: Advanced Dramatic Writing **[Approved]**

**School of Business**  
**Department of Supply Chain Management**  
**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**  
*Course Change – Removing Prerequisite*  
SCMA 386: Global Supply Chain Management **[Approved]**

**School of the Arts**  
**Department of Fashion Design and Merchandising**  
**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**  
*Course Changes – Adding Modality*  
FASH 130: The Meaning of Dress **[Approved]**  
FASH 203: Patternmaking I **[Approved]**  
FASH 204: Patternmaking II **[Approved]**  
*Course Changes – Adding Modality & Removing Prerequisite*  
FASH 290: Textiles for the Fashion Industry **[Approved]**  
FASH 340: Merchandising Portfolio **[Approved]**

#### **IV Consent Agenda (Cont.)**

**School of the Arts**

**Department of Art History**

**Reviewers: Administrative Review Committee**

*Course Changes – Removing Prerequisite*

ARTH 312: Islamic Art in a Global Context 1200 to 1600 CE **[Approved]**

ARTH 321: Islamic Art in a Global Context 1600 to 1800 CE **[Approved]**

#### **V Additional Consent Agenda Actions**

*The following actions were approved as consent agenda actions.*

- *Adding a cross listing with support from all academic units involved in the cross listing*
- *Changing a prerequisite to a concurrent prerequisite*