

**Prairie View A&M University**  
Prairie View, Texas 77446

**UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, April 11, 2013  
John B. Coleman Library, Room 508  
3:00 pm

Those Present

Dr. Kay Norman  
Dr. Joe Dickson  
Dr. Shield Lin  
Mrs. Lettie Raab  
Dr. Terence Hicks  
Dr. Felecia Nave  
Dr. Emmanuel Opara  
Dr. Abida Solomaon - TVVN  
Dr. Judith Hansen  
Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene  
Ms. Traci Chernosky  
Mr. Peter Wood  
Dr. Clarissa G. Booker  
Ms. Deborah Dungey  
Dr. Kendall T. Harris  
Mr. Don Byars  
Dr. A.M. Haghighi – Guest  
Dr. Clarence Talley – Guest  
Mrs. Mary Gooch – Guest  
Dr. James Palmer – Guest  
Dr. Remi Oki - Guest  
Dr. Annette James

Those Absent

Dr. James A. Wilson, Jr - G  
Dr. Jennifer Erdely - A  
Dr. Michael L. McFrazier - G  
Mr. Jonathan Miller - A  
Dr. Thomas-Smith - G  
Dr. Elizabeth Brumfield - A  
Dr. Angela Branch-Vital - EA  
Ms. Mahalla Smith - A

The University Academic Council (UAC) was convened at approximately 3:13 p.m. on Thursday, April 11, 2013, with Dr. Felecia M. Nave, Associate Provost & Associate VP for Academic Affairs, presiding. The location of this meeting was in the John B. Coleman Library, Room 508. Dr. Nave welcomed those old and new members and guest that were present and officially called the meeting to order.

**AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED**

## I. Minutes from last Academic Council Meeting

All those present were asked to look over the minutes from the last University Academic Council Meeting on, December 6, 2012, January 17, 2013, February 7, 2013, February 14, 2013, and February 21, 2013.

**Motion:** Mr. Peter Wood moved and Dr. Kay Norman seconded the motion to approve the minutes from December 6, 2013, January 17, 2013, February 7, 2013, February 14, 2013, and February 21, 2013. **The motion carried unanimously.**

## II. Task Force Updates

**Task Force 1** – Course Inventory Updates for the College of Engineering, Dr. Judith Hansen, chair

Dr. Shield Lin presented the UAC members with the proposed changes. Course changes in Chemical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Engineering Technology, Mechanical Engineering, and General Engineering. Course deletions of CHEG 4473, CHEG 4483, CVEG 4473, CVEG 4483, ELEG 4473, ELEG 4483, MCEG 4473, MCEG 4483, and GNEG 3051. Course additions of CHEG 4472, CHEG 4482, CVEG 4472, CVEG 4482, ELEG 4472, ELEG 4482, MCEG 4472, MCEG 4482, and GNEG 3061. Course changes to CHEG 2003, CHEG 2043 and degree requirements with modification to this course CHEG 2003. Course changes to CVEG 2043, CVEG 4113, and degree requirements. Course changes to COMP 4072, COMP 4082, COMP 1214, COMP 1224, and degree requirements. Course changes to ELEG 4021, ELEG 4003, ELEG 4013, ELEG 4033, ELEG 4073, ELEG 4283, and degree requirements for CPEG, and ELEG. Course changes to ELET 1123, CPET 2113, and degree requirements for CPET and ELET programs. Course changes to MCEG 2013 and degree requirements.

**Motion:** Dr. Clarissa Booker moved and Dr. Emmanuel Opara seconded the motion to approve the additions, changes, and deletions as submitted in I. Course Changes in Chemical Engineering, II. Course Changes in Civil and Environmental Engineering, III. Course Changes in Computer Science, IV. Course Changes in Electrical and Computer Engineering, V. Course Changes in Engineering Technology, VI. Course Changes in Mechanical Engineering, and VII. Course Changes in General Engineering. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Task Force 4 Update** – Department of Mathematics and Chemistry's Curriculum Revision, Dr. Clarissa Booker, chair

Dr. Aderemi Oki presented the UAC members with the proposed addition of a new course named “Special Topics in Chemistry” CHEM 3023 and the deletion of CHEM 4073 “Topics in Physical Chemistry”. The table was open for discussion.

**Motion:** Dr. Judith Hansen moved and Dr. Emmanuel Opara seconded the motion to approve the request to delete CHEM 4073 “Topics in Physical Chemistry” and to add a new course CHEM 3023 “Special Topics in Chemistry”. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Dr. A.M. Haghighi presented the proposed changes to courses MATH 3163, MATH 4003, and MATH 4053 to the UAC members. The table was opened for discussion.

**Motion:** Mr. Petter Wood moved and Dr. Joseph Dickson seconded the motion to approve the submittals of courses MATH 3163, MATH 4003, and MATH 4053 as submitted. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Task Force 4 - Course Inventory Updates for the Department of Languages and Communications, Dr. Kay Norman, chair**

Dr. James Palmer presented the proposed changes for the Department of Languages and Communication. The proposed changes are to the minor in Humanities to include additional course options. Course deletions of COMM 1733 - Communication History, Course additions of COMM 1733 - Basic Digital Video Production, COMM 2553 - Globalization, International Media, and Communication, COMM 4893 - Senior Capstone, ARAB 2013 – Intermediate Arabic I, ARAB 2023 – Intermediate Arabic II, ENGL 4003 – Instructional Planning Assessment in Teaching English Language Arts. Other course changes are to move COMM 4523 – COMM Theory to an option under concentration electives and replace with senior capstone as required core COMM course. Require COMM 2513 as one of the 6 SCH in COMM writing to introduce students to theory and practice of the discipline.

**Motion:** Mrs. Lettie Raab move and Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene seconded the motion to approve the recommendations of task force 4 changes for the Department of Languages and Communications to include the deletion of COMM 1723. The addition of COMM 1733, COMM 2553, and COMM 4893. To move COMM 4523 to an option; require COMM 2513 as one of the 6 SCH in COMM writing and ARAB 2013, ARAB 2312, ENGL 4003; changes to minor in Humanities to include additional course options. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Task Force 5 – Procedures and Template for Degree Program Request Form, Dr. Emmanuel Opara, chair**

**III. New Business**

Dr. James Palmer the chair of the Core Curriculum Advisory Committee (CCAC) made the recommendations to the University Academic Council (UAC) regarding the implementation of the new core curriculum starting Fall 2014. Dr. Nave asked that the UAC members to please review the recommendations of the CCAC and we would discuss and vote at the next UAC meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2013.

Mr. Don Byars along with Ms. Mary Gooch addressed the UAC members with the proposed changes to the Texas A&M University System Campuses: Freshman Admission Standards Year 2012 Chart. Mr. Byars proposed that the Honors Admissions verbiage under the standards for full admission section be removed due to the category being obsolete. The table was opened for discussion.

**Motion:** Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene moved and Dr. Kendall Harris seconded the motion to approve that the Honors Admissions Category be removed from the standards for full admission category, the category is obsolete. **The motion carried unanimously.**

The School of Architecture's new degree in Graphic Design proposal was assigned to Task Force 3 with Dr. Shield Lin as chair.

**IV. Old Business**

No old business at this time.

**V. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Submitted by:

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