

Minutes
Undergraduate Academic Affairs Committee
October 10, 2019

Members in Attendance: L. Kupsy, D. Pike, G. Barker, E. Carnaghan, M. Gilb, N. Fearn, E. Crowell, G. Bledsoe, J. Glassman, J. Haugen, T. De Shon, D. Sleet, L. Sweetman, S. Sanchez, N. Westhus, R. Wood and D. Lohe.

Call to Order: R. Wood called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

Approval of Minutes from the September 5, 2019 Meeting: Minutes from the September 5, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

University Common Core Proposal: Ellen presented to the UAAC Committee the Common Core Proposal presentation from the University Undergraduate Core Committee (UUCC). Ellen explained the start process to the end process dates. Next, she discussed The Core Balance and the 6 different things that make the Core: 1) nine core student learning outcomes, 2) need for integration of fundamental and disciplinary ways of thinking, 3) Catholic, Jesuit mission and identity, 4) basic college level competencies relevant to a SLU graduate, 5) small number of core hours to fit credit-heavy majors fulfilling external accreditation requirements and 6) Student need to finish baccalaureate degree in four years. We are comparable to Marquette University's Common Core. A visualization was presented of the current median student credit hour distribution per college, excluding the electives. Next, Ellen explained a slide that showed the full circle First Year Seminar to Collaborative Inquiry. Another visualization was presented that showed the Proposed Core: Median student credit hour distribution per college, excluding electives. Ellen, went thru the review and approval process, we are in the deadline period for assemblies to submit to the UUCC their questions, comments and requests for clarification. Finally, a look ahead starting in spring 2020 all the way thru Fall 2022 when we launch the new common core for incoming students (2026 graduating class).

UAAC Subcommittee vs General committee topics: clarifying what is going on a general committee versus subcommittee. Everyone in the room can vote on a lot of things, however just the curricular issues are just within the faculty. Subcommittee space carved out that the faculty would have a vote, all other items can be voted on at the general meeting. Suggested that we report on the results of the subcommittee to the general meeting so everyone knows what is going on.

Registrar Report: Reintroduce the NR grade – Not Reported. When grades are due we would give a NR, this would have 30 days to be submitted to correct grade, after 30 days it turns to a F. NR gives a message to the student that the grade hasn't been reported yet and they should reach out to the professor. Take to your colleagues and get feedback for next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32am