

**Undergraduate Council Meeting Minutes
Attendance – March 23, 2023**

<i>College/School/Office</i>	<i>Dean (ex officio non-voting)</i>	<i>Associate Dean or equivalent (member)</i>	<i>Curriculum Comm. Chair or equivalent (member)</i>	<i>Other (ex officio non-voting with one exception*)</i>
College of Liberal Arts & Sciences		Achim Kopp	Amy Nichols-Belo	
Stetson-Hatcher School of Business	Julie Petherbridge	Tammy Crutchfield		
School of Engineering		Stephen Hill	Arash Afshar	
Tift College of Education		Jeffrey Keese	Susie Morrissey	Flavio Campos
Townsend School of Music		Nathan Myrick		
Georgia Baptist College of Nursing		Maura Schlairet	Tabatha Anderson	
College of Professional Advancement		Gail Johnson	Tyler Wilkinson	Feng Liu, Fred Bongiovanni, Awatef Ben Ramadan
College of Health Professions		Nannette Turner		
College of Pharmacy			Reid Proctor	Jill Augustine
University Libraries				Gretchen Smith
University Registrar				Alba Rodriguez Sarah McCommon Holly Arnold Diana Hill
Office of Institutional Effectiveness				Danielle Buehrer Sarah May
Office of Global Engagement				
Academic & Advising Services				Grace Day
Program Configuration Team				Paul McCord
Distance Learning Committee				Susan Codone
Office of Financial Planning				Maria Hammett Emmilee Mitchell
University Bursar				Kandy Cook
Athletics				Delaney Ryan
Provost's Office/Chair				Kelly Reffitt* Lisa Snow (minutes)

Approval of Minutes from February 16, 2023 – No corrections noted.

Motioned by Amy Nichols-Belo and seconded, Nannette Turner.

Action: **Approved**

**Undergraduate Council Curriculum Proposals Summary
March 23, 2023**

Unit	Submitted by	Degree	Type of Change	Catalog Impacted	Description of Change	Action
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Psychology	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Psychology</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add PSY 245 to the Group 3 block for psychology <u>minors</u>. 2. Deploy new courses from the course change form: PSY 281, 282, 283, 316. 3. Remove statement from the catalog: “Students intending to pursue graduate studies in psychology are encouraged to take PSY 401.” <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add the following courses: PSY 281. Special Topics (Biological/Cognitive/Learning): (Subtitle) PSY 282. Special Topics (Social/Applied): (Subtitle) PSY 283. Special Topics (Clinical/Developmental/Personality): (Subtitle) PSY 316. Fundamentals of Human Memory Lab 2. Delete the following courses: PSY 318 Language and PSY 285 Special Topics: (Subtitle). 3. Revise the following courses: PSY 290 Research Practicum PSY 395 Perspectives in Psychology PSY 414 Hormones and Behavior 	<p>Motioned: Nathan Myrick</p> <p>Seconded: Gail Johnson</p> <p>Approved</p>
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BS Neuroscience	Program Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Neuroscience</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update course numbers to reflect biology curricular changes (BIO 171/172 replaces BIO 211/212; BIO 280 replaces BIO 310; add BIO 393, 394, 493, 494 corresponding to potential special topics sections). This reduces required hours by 2. 2. Add BIO 260 as a requirement. 3. Reduce number of upper-level elective hours required. 4. Update course numbers to reflect psychology curricular changes (PSY 281 replaces PSY 285). Add PSY 316 as an elective option. 	<p>Motioned: Nannette Turner</p> <p>Seconded: Tyler Wilkinson</p> <p>Approved</p>

					<p>6. Add ENG 222 to theatre major to replace the deleted ENG 220 and ENG 221.</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <p>1. Add the following:</p> <p>ENG 238. Literature and Medicine ENG 295. Written on the Body: An Introduction to Medical Humanities ENG 322. Shakespeare’s 21st Century Imagination ENG 392. The Life of the Book</p> <p>2. Delete the following:</p> <p>ENG 108. Composition I ENG 320. Shakespeare – Early Plays ENG 321. Shakespeare II: Later Plays ENG 325. Contemporary Theories in Linguistics ENG 329. 20th Century Literary Theory and Criticism ENG 335. Milton ENG 340. 16th Century Literature ENG 342. 17th Century Literature ENG 346. Restoration & 18th Century Literature</p> <p>3. Revise the following:</p> <p>ENG 263. British Literature I (revise frequency) ENG 352. Romanticism in American Literature (revise title) ENG 353. Realism in American Literature (revise title) ENG 378. Images of Women in Literature (revise frequency)</p>	
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Creative Writing <u>Impact on Gen Ed</u>	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Creative Writing</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></p> <p>1. Replace genre tracks with the requirement that students take 1) two 300-level workshops in a single genre and 2) one 300-level workshop in a separate genre.</p> <p>2. Add a requirement that creative writing majors take CRW 302. The Form and Theory of Creative Writing.</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <p>1. Add CRW 302 The Form and Theory of Creative Writing and CRW 387 Special Topics in Creative Writing.</p>	<p>Motioned: Stephen Hill</p> <p>Seconded: Nathan Myrick</p> <p>Approved</p>

					<p>2. Revise the following:</p> <p>ENG 222. Introduction to Creative Writing prefix changed to CRW 222</p> <p>ENG 307. Creative Approaches to Nonfiction prefix changed to CRW 307</p> <p>ENG 308. Writing Narrative Poetry prefix changed to CRW 308</p> <p>ENG 309. Writing Short Fiction prefix changed to CRW 309</p> <p>ENG 311. Writing Lyric Poetry prefix changed to CRW 311</p> <p>ENG 312. Writing the Long Story prefix changed to CRW 312</p> <p>ENG 371. Beginning Playwriting prefix changed to CRW 371</p> <p>ENG 372. Screenwriting prefix changed to CRW 372, revisions reflect changes made by the Media Studies program.</p> <p>ENG 483. Advanced Playwriting Workshop prefix changed to CRW 483</p> <p>ENG 485. The Ferrol Sams, Jr., Distinguished Chair in English Seminar in Fiction, Poetry, or Drama prefix changed to CRW 485</p> <p>ENG 487. Advanced Creative Writing Workshop prefix changed to CRW 487, pre-requisites are revised to include all upper-level creative writing courses.</p> <p>Change the course description for CRW 372 (formerly ENG 372, if changes are approved) so it matches the course description for MFS 372 (formerly JMS 372).</p>	
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Sociology	Course Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Add prerequisite of SOC 101 or AFR 190 for SOC 295 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (same as AFR 295). Add prerequisite of SOC 101 or WGS 180 for SOC 312 Sociology of Gender and Sexuality (same as WGS 180). 	<p>Motioned: Nannette Turner</p> <p>Seconded: Gail Johnson</p> <p>Approved</p>
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Women’s and Gender Studies	<p>Program Changes</p> <p>Course Changes</p>	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Women’s and Gender Studies</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></p> <p>Remove the requirement for a multicultural course and combine the 18 hours after the 3 core courses into an electives category of 18 hours. Require at least 3 hours of 400-level work to account for the lost 400-level block of “one course from WGS 415, WGS 480, WGS 485, or WGS 490” and at least 12 hours of work at the 300-level or higher.</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p>	<p>Motioned: Arash Afshar</p> <p>Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield</p> <p>Approved</p>

					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add WGS 340 From Rage to Love: Emotions and the Body; WGS 480 Internship. 2. Delete WGS/AFR 389 The Black Woman; WGS 383 AIDS Narratives of Disease; WGS Internship in Women’s and Gender Studies. 3. Revise course descriptions and/or prerequisites for the following: WGS 180 Gendered Lives, WGS 201. Methods in Gender Studies Research, WGS 220. Fiber Arts and Culture, WGS 237. Gender, Philosophy, and Law, WGS 310. Race, Gender, and Media, WGS 312. Sociology of Gender and Sexuality, WGS 318 Queer Cinema, WGS 345. Health and Gender, WGS 375. Maternal and Child Health, and WGS 401. Gender Theory and Feminist Thought. 	
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Anthropology	Program Change (NEW) Course Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Anthropology</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add anthropology major with 27 credit hours minimum.</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add the following: ANT 210. Reading Ethnography, ANT 220. Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology, ANT 320. Economic Anthropology, ANT 330. Anthropology of Development, ANT 340. From Rage to Love: Emotions and the Body, ANT 360. Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion (Note: cross-listed course WGS 340. From Rage to Love: Emotions and the Body will be submitted on WGS course change form) 2. Revise the following: ANT 345. Health and Gender, ANT 350. Cultural Anthropology, ANT 354. Cultural Archaeology, ANT 382. Biological Anthropology, ANT 390. Special Topics in Anthropology, ANT 490. Internship in Anthropology, and GHS 332. Qualitative Methods for Health Research. (Note: cross-listed courses: WGS 345. Health and Gender, and BIO 383. Biological Anthropology will be submitted on WGS and BIO course change forms) 3. Delete ANT 250 Becoming Chinese. 	<p>Motioned: Nathan Myrick</p> <p>Seconded: Jeffrey Keese</p> <p>Approved</p>

CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	Anthropology Minor	Program Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>CLAS>Anthropology <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> 1. Add ANT 210: Reading Ethnography: (Subtitle) as a required course. 2. Reduce SLOs from six to two (will match SLO 1 and 2 in new ANT major).	Motioned: Gail Johnson Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	Foreign Language (General Ed, Chinese, Classical Studies, Greek)	Program Changes	MCN	Folder: March 26>CLAS>Foreign Language with Similar Proposals <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Award credit by exam for CHN/FRE/SPN 111, 112, 251, and 252, and GRK/LAT 111, 112, and 251. Also impacts the classical studies major.	Motioned: Nathan Myrick Seconded: Stephen Hill Approved
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA French	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	Folder: March 23>CLAS>French <u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> 1. Award credit by exam for FRE 111, 112, 251, and 252 that will count toward the major and the minor. 2. Do not allow FRE 495 to count toward the major if taken for departmental honors 3. Add FRE 400, a 1-credit-hour course. <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> 1. Add FRE 400 French Major Portfolio. 2. Revise FRE 495. Directed Independent Research. Add to the description: "Does not count toward the major if taken for departmental honors."	Motioned: Arash Afshar Seconded: Gail Johnson Approved
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Latin	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	Folder: March 23>CLAS>Latin <u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> 1. Award credit by exam for LAT 111, 112, and 251 that will count toward the major and the minor. 2. Do not allow LAT 495 to count toward the major if taken for departmental honors. <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u>	Motioned: Nannette Turner Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved

					<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Revise LAT 495. Directed Independent Research. Add to the description: “Does not count toward the major if taken for departmental honors.” 2. For All 300-level LAT courses, add LAT 251 as a prerequisite. 	
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Spanish	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS>Spanish</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delete the literature requirement. 2. Change the required additional hours from 9 to 12. 3. Revise course suggestions for additional hours to include SPN 310 and SPN 320. 4. Change the course language in the note on Native speakers and near-native heritage learners of Spanish to ensure that these students complete enough hours in Spanish. 5. Award credit by exam for SPN 111, 112, 251, and 252 that will count toward the major and the minor. 6. Prevent students from counting SPN 495 towards the major if taken for departmental honors. <p><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add SPN 327 Spanish for Medical Purposes II and SPN 330 Spanish Grammar and Culture. 2. Delete SPN 304 Survey of Spanish Literature and SPN 306 Survey of Latin American Literature. 3. Revise SPN 495 Directed Independent Research - course may not be used to satisfy both the minimum number of hours in the major and departmental honors. 	<p>Motioned: Tammy Crutchfield</p> <p>Seconded: Tyler Wilkinson</p> <p>Approved</p>
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	Community Service and Leadership	Course Change	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS</p> <p><u>COURSE CHANGE:</u> Revise course description of CSL 199.</p>	<p>Motioned: Nathan Myrick</p> <p>Seconded: Stephen Hill</p> <p>Approved</p>
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	General Education	Program Change	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>CLAS</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add Diverse Perspectives (DVP) requirement.</p>	<p>Motioned: Nannette Turner</p> <p>Seconded: Tyler Wilkinson</p>

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BUS	Tammy Crutchfield	BBA Risk Management Insurance and Supply Chain Management	Program Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>BUS <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Remove MAT 191 from the math requirement.	Motioned: Achim Kopp Seconded: Gail Johnson Approved
BUS	Julie Petherbridge	Various majors – special topics courses	Program Change Course Changes	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>BUS <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add special topics courses as electives for each BBA. Up to 18 hours of these special topics courses will be allowed to count towards the degree requirements. <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> Add special topics courses: MKT 277, MGT 277, BUS 277, ACC 277, FIN 277, ECN 277.	Motioned: Amy Nichols-Belo Seconded: Jeffrey Keese Approved
EGR	Stephen Hill	BSE, Biomedical - Traditional and Pre-Med Paths	Program Change Course Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>EGR <u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> 1. Add/remove biology courses in both traditional and pre-med paths. Total credit hours remain the same in the traditional path (129 hours). Total credit hours for the pre-med path changes from 133 to 130. 2. Revise BME 312 course credits for both paths. <u>COURSE CHANGE:</u> Revise BME 312 course credits from 3.0-0-3.0 to 2.5 – 1.5 – 3.0.	Motioned: Nannette Turner Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved
EGR	Stephen Hill	BS Industrial Management	Program Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>EGR <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Reduce credit hours from 129 to 120.	Motioned: Gail Johnson Seconded: Amy Nichols-Belo Approved

EDU	Jeffrey Keese	BSED Computer Science Education	Program Change (NEW) Course Changes	MCN	Folder: March 23>EDU>Computer Science Education <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add the BSED Computer Science Education program. <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> Add EDUC 443 Introduction to Computer Science Education (3 hours) and EDUC 444 Teaching Computer Science (3 credit hours). *Approval pending final OIE review & approval of SLO's, mapping, and assessment plan by Troy Nash. Once finalized, notify Paul McCord in the Registrar's Office.	Motioned: Achim Kopp Seconded: Gail Johnson *Approved - Pending OIE Approval from Troy Nash
EDU	Jeffrey Keese	BSED Secondary Education	Program Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>EDU <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Revise content course requirements in English, history, political science, biology, chemistry, and physics to align to new state standards. Note to review English courses to reflect newly revised CLAS course changes.	Motioned: Tyler Wilkinson Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved
EDU	Jeffrey Keese	BSED Early Childhood/Spec Ed, Early Development and Learning, Middle Grades, Secondary	Course Changes	MCN	Folder: March 23>EDU <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> Change course numbers: EDUC 398 to EDUC 298 EDUC 330 to EDUC 230 ELAD 330 to ELAD 260 ELAD 485 to ELAD 285	Motioned: Gail Johnson Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved
CoPA	Tyler Wilkinson	Certificate in Database Design and Analytics	Program Change (NEW)	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>COPA>Certificate in Database Design and Analytics <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add the credit-bearing Certificate in Database Design and Analytics with 15 credit hours. For degree- and non-degree-seeking students.	Motioned: Stephen Hill Seconded: Amy Nichols-Belo Approved
CoPA	Tyler Wilkinson	BA Liberal Studies self-designed major	Program Change	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>COPA <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Add a pre-law studies concentration for the B.A. in Liberal Studies self-designed major.	Motioned: Nannette Turner Seconded: Achim Kopp Approved

CoPA	Tyler Wilkinson	Department of Science	Course Changes	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>COPA <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> 1. Delete SCIE 220 and SCIE 250. 2. Revise 17 courses (see chart in addendum).	Motioned: Nathan Myrick Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield Approved
CoPA	Tyler Wilkinson	BS Human Services	Course Change	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>COPA <u>COURSE CHANGE:</u> Revise HSRV 256 by removing SCIE 100 as a prerequisite.	Motioned: Amy Nichols-Belo Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield
CoPA	Tyler Wilkinson	BS Psychology	Course Change	ATL, RAC	Folder: March 23>COPA <u>COURSE CHANGE:</u> Revise PSYC 315 by removing SCIE 100 as a prerequisite.	Approved
MUS	Nathan Myrick	BA, BM, BMESoF, BME	Program Change Course Change	MCN	Folder: March 23>MUS <u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Change the musicology sequence to incorporate MUS 303 Music Cultures as part of core degree requirement for all music bachelor's degrees (BA, BM, BMESoF, BME). Incorporates specialized accreditation requirements. <u>COURSE CHANGE:</u> Add MUS 303 Music Cultures.	Motioned: Stephen Hill Seconded: Amy Nichols-Belo Approved
MUS	Nathan Myrick	Applied and Ensembles	Program Changes Course Changes	MCN	Folder: March 23>MUS <u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> Add/revise elective courses as options. <u>COURSE CHANGES:</u> 1. Add these elective courses: MUS 179 – Contemporary Music Ensemble MUS 178 – Rome Chamber Music Ensemble MUS 478 – Entrepreneurship 2. Change MUS 180 Chamber Music Ensembles to include the lettered sections: MUS 180E – Strings	Motioned: Tyler Wilkinson Seconded: Stephen Hill Approved

					<p>MUS 180F – Mixed Instrument MUS 180G – Trombone MUS 180H – Harp MUS 180I – Vocal</p> <p>3. Revise MUS 198 by changing the name from Collegium Musicum to Mercer University Band. Change course description and SLOs. For 0-1 credit hour. Note: Disregard MUS 198 in the program/change addenda as a NEW course. MUS 198 is submitted as a revision with a revised syllabus.</p>	
MUS	Nathan Myrick	Music's General Education	Program Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23>MUS</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> Remove statement for Music's general education requirements under Fine Arts/Humanities: "MUS courses may be used for a maximum of 3 credit hours."</p>	<p>Motioned: Amy Nichols-Belo</p> <p>Seconded: Gail Johnson</p> <p>Approved</p>
PHARM	Candace Barnett – Presented by Jill Augustine	BSPS Pharmaceutical Sciences	Program Change	ATL	<p>Folder: March 23>Pharmacy</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u> Remove the progression requirements, "passing the [year] comprehensive progression assessment," for the first, second, and third professional years. The first and second professional years apply to the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences.</p>	<p>Motioned: Tammy Crutchfield</p> <p>Seconded: Nathan Myrick</p> <p>Approved</p>
CHP	Nannette Turner	BS Kinesiology BS Public Health	Program Changes	MCN	<p>Folder: March 23> CHP</p> <p><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u> Reduce the number of required CHP credit hours by two hours in the Kinesiology and Public Health majors due to the recent changes in the biology courses. Both programs remain at 120 credit hours.</p>	<p>Motioned: Stephen Hill</p> <p>Seconded: Tammy Crutchfield</p> <p>Approved</p>

Other Business

A demonstration of curriculum and proposal management software is forthcoming and will be shared with others.

Adjournment - 3:50 PM

Follow-up on March 27, 2023:

Kelly Reffitt sent an email to the Council:

- As you remember at our February meeting, the Council voted to approve the title change in the CLAS literacy block so that “Western Heritage” becomes “Historical Perspectives.” Consequently, the course ENG 224 The Study of a Literary Theme in Western Heritage should have been changed to The Study of Literary Theme in Historical Perspectives. Inadvertently, the course name was not changed. Given the spirit of the approval of the name change for the general education block, I am in favor of CLAS changing the course title for the upcoming academic year; all other course elements remain the same. If there is any objection, please bring it forward by close of business on Friday, March 31. Amy Nichols-Belo has submitted a course change form which can be found in the UC>March 24>CLAS folder.
- At last week’s meeting, BUS submitted program and course changes to add 200-level special topics courses to their BBA programs. The program change form was submitted just prior to our meeting. After further review, BUS can move forward with adding their 200-level special topics courses, but, given the purpose and nature of a special topics course, the courses cannot be placeholders for transfer credit as described in their rationale.