

## Undergraduate Council Minutes

October 19, 2023

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### Welcome and Attendance:

**CLAS:** Amy Nichols-Belo, Achim Kopp, Katie Northcutt

**Registrar:** Alba Rodriguez, Diana Hill, Brenda Phillips, April Cantrell, Holly Arnold

**Business:** Vijaya Subrahmanyam, Tammy Crutchfield

**Institutional Effectiveness:** Danielle Buehrer, Troy Shaw, Troy Nash

**Engineering:** Stephen Hill, Joanna Thomas

**Global Engagement:** Felix Jelen

**Education:** Jeffrey Keese

**Academic & Advising:** Grace Day

**Music:**

**Program Configuration:** Paul McCord

**Nursing:** Tammy Barbe, Maria Schlairet

**Distance Learning:**

**Professional Advancement:** Gail Johnson, Tyler Wilkinson

**Financial Planning:** Emmilee Mitchell, Maria Hammett

**Health Professions:** Nannette Turner

**Bursar:** Jessica Ellison

**Pharmacy:** Candace Barnett, Reid Proctor

**Athletics:** Delaney Ryan

**Libraries:** Gretchen Smith

**Provost Office:** Kelly Reffitt, Lisa Snow

Documents were loaded into the Undergraduate Council Canvas course for review.

### Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from Undergraduate Council March 23, 2023 were approved as written.

### Curriculum Proposals:

Unit	Submitted by	Degree	Type of Change	Catalog Impacted	Description of Change	Action
NUR	Tammy Barbe	BS Nursing	Program Change	MCN	<p><b><u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u></b>                      Add a four-semester, blended BSN track on the Macon and Atlanta campuses. Coursework will be delivered asynchronously online by Atlanta-based faculty, and clinical rotations will be completed in local healthcare facilities with clinical adjunct nursing faculty facilitating the clinical learning experiences. Nursing laboratory/simulation faculty and a simulation operations specialist will be dedicated to the Cherry Street site (Macon).                      Educational partner: Orbis Education</p> <p>Site addition: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors, Cherry Street, Macon; beginning fall 2024                      Atlanta (blended): beginning spring 2025</p> <p>See Distance Learning Addendum for details on blended instruction.</p>	Approved

EGR	Stephen Hill	BSE - Industrial Experience Program	Program Change  Course Changes	MCN	<p><b><u>PROGRAM CHANGE:</u></b> Terminate the Industrial Experience Program. Remove certificate from EGR. No students are enrolled in the program.</p> <p><b><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></b> Change co-op classes to zero credit hours for EGR 190, 290, 390, and 490 Cooperative Education Work Experience</p>	Approved
EGR	Stephen Hill	BSE - Mechanical Engineering	Course Change	MCN	<p><b><u>COURSE CHANGE:</u></b> MAE 435: Revise the course description to reflect the change in course frequency from yearly to every semester.</p>	Approved
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA Communication Studies & Theatre  *Impacts Gen Ed master course list	Program Change  Course Change	MCN	<p><b><u>PROGRAM CHANGES:</u></b></p> <p>Major:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Add THR 221 Introduction to Theatrical Design as required course.</li> <li>2. Add THR 485 Senior Audition Portfolio as required course.</li> <li>3. Replace THR 292 Theatre practicum with THR 392 Advanced Theatre Practicum as required course.</li> <li>4. Replace 'three additional courses from' requirement with 2 separate groups of courses: Performance and Production. Choose one course from each group.</li> <li>5. Remove THR 302 Directing as a required course.</li> <li>6. Remove THR 326/327 Theatre History as a required course.</li> <li>7. Remove THR 337 Scene Design as a required course.</li> <li>8. Remove the ENG requirement.</li> </ol> <p>Minor:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Add THR 221 Introduction to Theatrical Design to the 'one course from' requirement</li> <li>2. Add '3 THR credit hours at the 200 level or above' requirement</li> <li>3. Add '6 additional THR credit hours at the 300 level or above' requirement</li> <li>4. Remove 'two additional courses from' list of 8 THR courses Remove 'one course from' list of THR 326/327 (Theatre History)</li> </ol> <p><b><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></b></p> <p>Delete:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. THR 490. Special Topics</li> <li>2. THR 326. A Survey of Theatre History I</li> <li>3. THR 327. A Survey of Theatre History II</li> </ol> <p>Add:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. THR 221. Introduction to Theatrical Design (3 hours) *Add to General Education too</li> <li>2. THR 328. Survey of Theatre History (3 hours)</li> </ol>	Approved

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CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA - History  *Impacts Gen Ed master course list	Course Change	MCN	<b><u>COURSE CHANGE:</u></b> Revise HIS 105 Western Histories to <b>Global</b> Histories. Change course description as noted in the addendum.	<b>Approved</b>
CLAS	Amy Nichols-Belo	BA French	Course Changes	MCN	<b><u>COURSE CHANGES:</u></b> Delete FRE 335 Introduction to Translation (3 hours). The course is removed from the International Affairs major.  Add: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FRE 350 History of French Cinema (3 credit hours)</li> <li>2. FRE 370 French and Medicine: Literature and Practice (3 hours)</li> </ol> The prerequisite for both new courses is FRE 302 or consent of instructor. The new courses will be part of the French major and minor as additional FRE courses numbered 300 and above.	<b>Approved</b>

**Other Business:** Special Topics Course Policy - Kelly Reffitt

The policy was presented to undergraduate council as a point of information. Reffitt asked members to share with their units and contact her for clarification if needed. Policy will be brought back to group for a vote in the February 2024 meeting.

**Adjournment: 2:50 PM**