

UUF COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM (UUFCC)

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
ADELBERT HALL, ROOM 351

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Catherine Albers	Donald Hunt	Marilyn Lotas
W. A. "Bud" Baeslack III	Julia Grant	Roger Marchant
John Blackwell	Kenneth Gustafson	Joseph Mansour
Patrick Crago	Jill Korbin	Jane Suresky
Gary Deimling	Marshall Leitman	Peter Whiting
Donald Feke	Jennifer Lhotsky	Jeffrey Wolcowitz

UNABLE TO ATTEND

Emily Garvey	Vasu Ramanujam	Renee Sentilles
Gennifer Gibbs	Jacklynn Sanford	

The meeting was called to order at 11:33 a.m. by Gary Deimling, Chair of the UUF Committee on Curriculum.

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion, duly seconded, the minutes of the UUF Committee on Curriculum meeting of Thursday, December 11, 2009 were unanimously approved.

**2. CSE MOTION ON SAGES**

The original CSE motion (dated 11/29/07) and its subsequent modifications were distributed and committee member John Blackwell provided the background and the timeline of meetings concerning the discussions that led to this the motion. In addition, the Chair of the CSE Executive Committee, Roger Marchant, addressed the committee with details about CSE's action. The primary motivation for this proposed change was to increase the engineering student's options regarding their curricula, while still leaving the SAGES program as an available option to engineering majors. Each of the other school's representatives discussed the key points that were in their reports. The most significant concern expressed concerned having a common general education requirement for undergraduates. Another point that was made was that the SAGES program will graduate the first group of students this spring that have gone all the way through the program, and thus it may be premature to change the structure of SAGES without first understanding more about the success of the program. The experience of this first full class will provide feedback that will aid in evaluating the program and allowing for adjustments and growth to the program. Provost Baeslack reported that he is observing and gathering information concerning the SAGES program. He is forming a committee with the Faculty Senate that will move quickly to assess the program including the impact of a school opting-out of it.

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Chairman Deimling summarized the CSE's proposal to change SAGES requirements for its students. He then opened discussion on the UUFCC motion dated 03/06/08 which tabled the CSE proposal until additional information could be obtained from the other schools. The original motion was re-read to the committee members. Subsequently, it was moved and duly seconded that this motion would be taken from the table for a vote. The motion to proceed with the vote was unanimously approved. It was noted that a quorum consisting of 11 of the 17 voting members was present.

The vote on whether to recommend approval of the CSE proposed changes to the SAGES requirements for engineering majors or to recommend against the CSE proposed changes to the SAGES requirements for engineering majors was conducted by secret ballot. The result of the balloting was: 3 for recommending the changes, 7 against recommending the changes, and 1 abstained from voting. Chair Deimling will report to the UUFCC that the UUFCC does not recommend the CSE proposed changes to the SAGES requirements for engineering majors.

**3. REVIEW OF COURSE/PROGRAM ACTION FORMS (DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT <https://filer.case.edu/org/uuf/>)**

The Program and Course Action Forms were posted on the filer website in advance of the meeting for review. Listed below are the items reviewed at the meeting and status if the form was approved or if additional requirements are sought for the course to be approved by the UUFCC.

Program Actions  
NONE

Course Actions – Group 1 (those affecting a single school; FYI, already approved by chair of UUFCC)  
NONE

Course Actions – Group 2 (those involved more than one school)  
NONE

Course Actions – Group 3 (SAGES First, University, & Department Seminars, Capstones)  
CAS USSY 285C: Conviction and Fiction (new course) - APPROVED  
CAS USSY 285H: Renaissance Figures (new course) - APPROVED

**4. OTHER BUSINESS**

Chair Deimling briefly discussed the topic of CWRU's certificate programs. Committee members agreed that the item should be discussed in more detail at the next UUFCC meeting.

The meeting adjourned @ 12:33 p.m.

Minutes by Jennifer Lhotsky.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**THURSDAY, February 12, 2009**

**11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Adelbert Hall, Room 351**