Academic Affairs Committee Report 2019-2020

Members:

**Wall College of Business**
- Mitchell Church (Chair)
- John Mortimer

**HTC Honors College and Center for Interdisciplinary Studies**
- Ina Seethaler

**Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts**
- Susan Bergeron
- Kyle Holody

**Kimbel Library**
- Amy Fyn

**Spadoni College of Education**
- Suzanne Horn
- Adriane Sheffield

**Gupta College of Science**
- Angelos Hannides
- Diane Fribance

**Ex-Officio**
- Jim Solazzo (Provost’s Office)
- Amanda Craddock (Admissions)
- Stacy Wyeth (Registrar)

**Charge of the Committee:**

The Academic Affairs committee considers and recommends to the Senate actions on requests for additions, deletions or changes in undergraduate courses or programs of the University. The committee also considers and notifies the Senate of minor changes in courses, such as course titles, descriptions, or credit hours.

These minor changes do not need Senate approval, but are submitted to the Senate for notification only. When considering additions, deletions, or changes to courses, special attention will be given by the committee to avoid duplication or obsolescence. The committee will also evaluate educational policies, admission standards and new programs of instruction.

The Committee was convened on the following dates: September 10th, 2019; October 8th, 2019; November 12th, 2019; December 10th, 2019; January 7th, 2020; February 11th, 2020; March 10th, 2020; April 7th, 2020; May 12th, 2020; Special Meeting June 12th, 2020.
Summary of Topics Discussed and Approved

E. Craig Wall, Sr. College of Business
1) There were no program (majors) proposals that were submitted.
2) There were 5 Form A, Course Changes submitted and passed
3) There were 2 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
4) There were 2 Form C, New Courses submitted and passed

Spadoni College of Education
1) There was one proposal for a new Certificate in Instructional Technology submitted and passed.
2) There were 7 Form A, Course Changes submitted and passed
3) There were 3 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
4) There was 10 Form C, New Courses submitted and passed

Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts
1) There were 6 program (3 majors, 3 minors) proposals that were submitted and passed.
2) There were 27 Form A, Course Changes submitted and passed
3) There were 5 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
4) There were 39 Form C, New Courses submitted and passed

Gupta College of Science
1) There was 1 new program (minor) proposal that was submitted and passed.
2) There were 38 Form A, Course Changes submitted and passed
3) There was 11 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
4) There was 22 Form C, New Courses submitted and passed

HTC Honors College and Center for Interdisciplinary Studies
1) There were 4 program (majors) proposals that were submitted.
2) There was 3 Form A, Course Changes submitted and passed
3) There was 1 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
4) There were 13 Form C, New Courses submitted and passed

Coastal Student Success Center
1) There was 1 Form B, Changes to Programs submitted and passed
Notable Events

1) Furthered Development of the Fall 2020 Instructional Plan and Implementation Calendar at the request of the emergency June 10th meeting of Faculty Senate. The plan and calendar developed by Academic Affairs was passed at the subsequent June 17th emergency meeting.

2) Reviewed ACAD-SENA 129 Class Attendance Policy per Faculty Senate charge. Minor revisions were suggested and approved by senate.

3) Recommended that Administration adopt a test-optional admissions policy for certain students. This policy was approved by Senate.

4) A major restructuring of MATH courses and their prerequisites was approved and subsequently passed in Faculty Senate.

5) Changes to the Transfer Credit policy used by Administration were approved and subsequently passed by Faculty Senate.

6) Recommended that Experiential Learning Requirement be removed as a graduation requirement. This recommendation was approved by Senate.

7) Approved UNIV 154: Fundamentals of Integrative Learning

Committee Recommendations to Administration

There were no recommendations made to the administration.

Overview

This past academic year, the Academic Affairs Committee reviewed:

12 proposals for new programs (majors); 0 proposal for new minors;
86 proposals for new undergraduate courses;
23 proposals for changes to an undergraduate program;
80 proposals for changes in, restoration of, or removal of an undergraduate course.

The committee made four change in policy recommendations.

This concludes the final Academic Affairs Committee report for the 2019-2020 academic year.