

Abilene Undergraduate Academic Council
October 2, 2024
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Adams Center Classroom

Present: K. Witemeyer, W. Crawford, B. Burton, R. Ashlock, T. Sensing, J. Drachenberg

Absent: R. Brown, T. Womble, R. Slaymaker

Ex-officios: A. Sutherlin, E. Gumm (C. Riley, S. Hamm were absent)

Guests: C. Miertschin, S. Jones, D. Kennamer, J. Homer, J. Carpenter, C. Bennett

The meeting began at 3:30 p.m.

1. Call to order by W. Crawford.
2. Prayer by T. Sensing.
3. Approval of the minutes from 5.1.24

Motion to approve minutes by B. Burton seconded by J. Drachenberg; all in favor; motion passes.

Information Items

4. CS 467 – Change Prerequisites
5. DET 260 – Change Prerequisites
6. IT 220 – Change Prerequisites
7. IT 220 – Change Course Terms
8. IT 221 – Change Course Terms
9. CRIM 330 - Change Title
10. GOVT 491 - Change Title

Action Items

11. ANSC – Revise Core and Pre-Vet Track

J. Carpenter - These were intended to come through last year. Adding a simple change of using AGRB 261 for general education now that it is approved. We also needed to add the MATH 131 or 185 since that was a hidden requirement.

Motion to approve by J. Drachenberg seconded by B. Burton; all in favor; motion passes.

12. ANSC – Revise Core and Livestock Production/Animal Health Professions Cooperative Tracks

J. Carpenter – The same change as above, designating AGRB 261 for general education now that it is approved, which increases the elective hours for both tracks.

Motion to approve by B. Burton seconded by T. Sensing; all in favor; motion passes.

13. DET 380 – Game Engines II – New Course

J. Homer - We are wanting to add three new courses for our DET program to address changes in the field. We've taught this as a special topics course in the past.

14. DET 460 – Game Production Studio – New Course

J. Homer - DET 460 and 465 will be replacing DET 350. DET 350 could have been taken twice. Now students will have an option to take each of these new courses once. We plan to substitute if needed. The courses will alternate when they are offered. R. Ashlock - Are the course descriptions the same? J. Homer - They are very similar. Each one focuses on a different track emphasis

15. DET 465 – Virtual Production Studio – New Course

See above.

Motion to approve items 13-15 by J. Drachenberg seconded by B. Burton; all in favor; motion passes.

16. DET – Revise Core and Game Development Track

J. Homer - We are changing some of the requirements. We wish to add the new courses and adjust the core requirements.

17. DET – Revise Core and Virtual Production Track

See above.

Motion to approve items 16-17 by R. Ashlock seconded by J. Drachenberg; all in favor; motion passes.

18. ENGL 301 – Remove Junior Standing

D. Kennamer - This restriction has caused advising problems. They are overriding it constantly. It is not being enforced and therefore it is deemed not necessary. It seems to be more of a maturation issue than a content mastery issue. A. Sutherlin - Sophomores have been taking Business and Professional Writing for years. T. Sensing - If ENGL 326 is a required course for Business majors, do they need to weigh in? E. Gumm - The majority of the overrides are for ENGL 326. I'm confident that the COBA group and their advisors would be supportive of the change.

19. ENGL 325 – Remove Junior Standing

See above.

20. ENGL 326 – Remove Junior Standing

See above.

21. ENGL 351 – Remove Junior Standing

See above.

22. ENGL 410 – Remove Junior Standing

C. Miertschin - Is it only senior standing now since it was either junior or senior standing? R. Ashlock - I'm a little concerned about it being removed from the 400-level courses. C. Bennett - I did not intend for it to be senior-standing only. Both junior and senior standing would be removed. We have freshmen in our ENGL 301 course because they have all their lower-level English courses. We don't want to hamstring students.

Motion to approve with change to remove both junior and senior standing by J. Drachenberg, seconded by R. Ashlock; all in favor; motion passes.

23. ENGL 472 – Remove Junior Standing

See above.

Motion to approve items 18-21 & 23, by R. Ashlock seconded by T. Sensing; all in favor; motion passes.

Meeting ended at 3:59 p.m.