

**ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY DALLAS
ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

December 2, 2024

3pm CST

<https://blogs.acu.edu/cgpsacademiccouncil/>

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the ACU Dallas Academic Council was called to order at 3:00pm, on December 2, 2024.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was given by Alicia Ramirez.

ROLL CALL

Members in attendance: Alicia Ramirez, Alline Ayala, Darlene Breaux, Dena Counts, Jackie Bluitt, Joe Feliciano, Jon Wiener, Kathy Carroll, Kathy Yeager, Kipi Fleming, Marica Sotelo, Meghan Hope, Nancy Kucinski, Nannette Glenn, Sandra Cleveland, Sara Salkil, Scott Self, Stephanie Wanamaker, and Tiffany Dahlman.

Members absent: Brandy Chalmers, Brenda McAdoo, Jenn Gillan, Kristy Williams, Tiffany Williams-Damond

Guests present: Jessica Smith, Mark McCallon, and Alison Pirtle

QUORUM

A quorum was present.

MINUTES

The minutes from October 28, 2024 were approved as presented.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- MFTO 643 & 661 are both having outcomes changed.
- GVTO 315 is incurring a changed course title and description.
- CRMO 330 is also having a course title change.

Informational items are approved by consent and voting is not required by the council on these items. There were no objections and these items were adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The chair and Tiffany Dahlman gave an overview of the Christian Ministry and Formation course changes:

- For BCMO 311, 322, 435, and 442 the requirement “for majors only” is being removed.
- BCMO 335 the requirements of “for majors only” and “Junior or Senior standing” are also being removed.
- With BCMO 493 & 495, the addition of “for majors only” is being requested.

Discussion: None

Sara Salkil moved to approve and Jackie Bluitt seconded the motion to approve the changes as listed on the blog for BCMO 311, 322, 435, 442, 335, 493 and 495. The motion carried with 14 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

2. The chair invited Kipi Fleming to share the requested changes for an edit of admission requirements and an addition of fast-lane admission standards for both the CONR Certificate and the MACMR.

Discussion: Nancy Kucinski asked if students still have the option to take one course at a time if desired, and Kipi verified this was correct.

Alline Ayala moved to approve and Kathy Yeager seconded the motion to approve the admission standard edits and fast-lane admission standards for the CONR Certificate and MACMR as noted on the documents on the blog. The motion carried with 15 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

3. The chair invited Kipi Fleming to share the requested change to fast-lane admission standards for the MS in Org Lead.

Discussion: None

Kathy Carroll moved to approve and Nancy Kucinski seconded the motion to approve the fast-lane admission standards for the MSOL. The motion carried with 15 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

4. The chair invited Kipi Fleming to share the requested change to degree plan changes for the MS in Organizational Leadership.

Discussion: None

Brandon Podgorski moved to approve and Stephanie Wanamaker seconded the motion to approve the degree plan changes for the MSOL. The motion carried with 15 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

5. The chair invited Alicia Ramirez to explain a new course request, CSDO 392.

Discussion: None

Kipi Fleming moved to approve and Tiffany Dahlman seconded the motion to approve the new course CSDO 392. The motion carried with 14 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

6. The chair invited Kathy Yeager to explain the requested addition of the Nonprofit Leadership track to both the EDD and EDS in Org Lead.

Discussion: None

Sara Salkil moved to approve and Kipi Fleming seconded the motion to approve addition of the Nonprofit Leadership track to both the EDD and EDS in Org Lead. The motion carried with 15 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

7. The chair explained the request to close ENGO 472, Film and Belief. It was a course that was cross-listed when we started the Digital Media degree. It was missed as far as being closed when the Digital Media degree was closed.

Discussion: None

Kathy Yeager moved to approve and Darlene Breaux seconded the motion to approve the closing of ENGO 472. The motion carried with 15 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

8. The chair invited Alline Ayala to explain several proposed new courses in EDUO that will be offered as options for the BS in Integrated Studies in a collaborative instruction initiative with the College of Learning and Development. They are:
 - [EDUO 444](#)
 - [EDUO 442](#)
 - [EDUO 452](#)
 - [EDUO 454](#)
 - [EDUO 482](#)
 - [EDUO 484](#)
 - [EDUO 490](#)

Discussion: Sara Salkil asked for clarification on EDUO 442 “classroom to career”. Alline Ayala explained that it’s a K-12 initiative ACU has been working on for a few years. It’s essentially the EPP program previously discussed in Town hall.

Stephanie Wanamaker moved to approve and Kipi Fleming seconded the motion to approve the proposed new EDUO courses 444, 442, 452, 454, 482, 484 and 490. The motion carried with 14 yes and 0 no votes and 1 abstention.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next meeting will occur on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 3:00pm CST. Submissions for business items due in Council Folder by Monday, January 13th at noon.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the chair at 3:30 pm CST.

APPROVAL

Minutes approved this X day of MONTH, 2024.

Dr. Dena Counts

Dena Counts, Chair