

**College of Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee**  
 Agenda for the Fourth Meeting of the Fall 2023 Semester  
 12:30 PM November 1, 2023  
 Virtual Meeting on Zoom

Chair: Selfa Chew-Melendez

**I. Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order at 12:32 PM

**II. Quorum Call**

Meredith Abarca	<i>English</i>	Present
Arthur Aguirre	<i>Leadership and Community Engagement</i>	Present
Clayton Bench	<i>Religious Studies</i>	Present
Carina Heckert	<i>Sociology and Anthropology</i>	Present
Josiah Heyman	<i>Latin American and Border Studies</i>	Present
Takeo Hiroi	<i>Political Science and Public Administration</i>	Present
Melinda Tasca	<i>Criminal Justice and Security Studies</i>	Present
Hilda Ontiveros	<i>Women's and Gender Studies</i>	Present
Richard Pineda	<i>Communication</i>	Present
Sara Potter	<i>Languages and Linguistics</i>	Present
Ana Schwartz	<i>Psychology</i>	Present
Susan Stanfield	<i>History</i>	Present
James Stratton	<i>Theatre and Dance</i>	Present
Jeffrey Sirkin	<i>Creative Writing</i>	Present
Heather Kaplan	<i>Art</i>	Present
Steven Best	<i>Philosophy</i>	Present
David Griffin	<i>Art</i>	Present
Ronald Weber	<i>Humanities</i>	Present

**Quorum:** 10

**Members Present:** 18 of 19

**Guests:**

Paul Ashby	<i>Criminal Justice and Security Studies</i>	Present
Charles Boehmer	<i>College of Liberal Arts - Dean's Office</i>	Present
Carlos Chavez	<i>College of Liberal Arts – Dean's Office</i>	Present
Ernesto Chavez	<i>History</i>	Present
Katherine Serafine	<i>Psychology</i>	Present
Annie Tremblay	<i>Latin-US and Linguistics</i>	Present
Egbert Zavala	<i>Criminal Justice and Security Studies</i>	Present

**III. Revision and Approval of October 2023 Minutes**

- Revisions: None
- Motion: Unanimous consent
- October 2023 Minutes Approved

**IV. Revision and Approval of November 2023 Agenda**

- Revisions: None
- Motion: Unanimous consent
- November 2023 Agenda Approved

**V. Special Business**

- No special business to discuss.

**VI. Old Business**

- No old business to discuss.

**VII. New Business**

- Department of Anthropology and Sociology
  - ANTH/SOCI Course Add and Anthropology Major Degree Plan Changes
    - Discussion led by Heckert
      - Proposal requests the addition of ANTH/SOCI 1XXX: Conflict in the Americas and the updating of courses listed under the Physical Anthropology courses and the Cultural Anthropology courses
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Criminal Justice and Security Studies
  - Removal of GRE/MAT requirement for applications to the MDSS
    - Discussion led by Ashby
      - Proposal removes the GRE/MAT requirement from the list of materials applicants to the MDS program are required to provide
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- College of Liberal Arts
  - Creation of Interdisciplinary Minor
    - Discussion led by Boehmer
      - Proposal creates the Interdisciplinary Minor (IM) which allows students to combine insights, methodologies, and courses from multiple academic disciplines, spanning across traditional academic boundaries
  - Motion: Roll call vote
  - Curriculum change not approved as submitted
- College of Liberal Arts
  - Creation of Multicultural Society Minor
    - Discussion led by Boehmer
      - Proposal creates the Multicultural Society Minor (MSN which is designed to provide students with a critical understanding of historical and contemporary issues, addressing the intersections

- of race and ethnicity with class, gender, and other forms of difference and hierarchy across various social groups
  - Motion: Unanimous consent with friendly amendment to add Humanities program courses to the list of courses that are applied to the minor
  - Curriculum change approved with amendments
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics
  - SPAN 3312 and LING 3312 Language Prerequisite Change
    - Discussion led by Tremblay
      - Proposal requests a change to the pre-requisites of the course Pedagogical Issues in Spanish (SPAN 3312/LING 3312) to increase its enrollment
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics
  - Changes in Spanish MA
    - Discussion led by Potter
      - Proposal requests changes to the Spanish MA to eliminate the language requirement and thesis requirement, minor changes and clarifications to the requirements for admission, update some course names to reflect current trends & to better reflect course offerings, deactivate courses that are no longer taught or that were related to the thesis option, and add four new courses that will enrich the curriculum
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics
  - M.A. in Bilingualism and Applied Linguistics
    - Discussion led by Tremblay
      - Proposal requests changes to the M.A. in Linguistics program to change the degree title, add a research course, change core courses, reduce the track options to complete the MA, reduce the number of concentrations, and make fast track changes
  - Motion: Unanimous consent with friendly amendment to keep the thesis option
  - Curriculum change approved with amendments
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics
  - Linguistics Major Changes
    - Discussion led by Tremblay
      - Proposal requests changes to the Linguistics major to change the name of the major, restructure the core and electives section of the major, revise course names, and updating some course descriptions
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics

- Morphology and the Mind
  - Discussion led by Tremblay
    - Proposal requests the creation of a new upper-level course to the list of courses that undergraduate and graduate students in Linguistics can take as elective, entitled “Morphology and the Mind” (LING 43?? & LING 53??)
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Latin-US and Linguistics
  - Linguistics Minor Changes
    - Discussion led by Tremblay
      - Proposal requests changes to the Linguistics minor to change the minor title and the addition of courses to the curriculum
    - Motion: Unanimous consent
    - Curriculum change approved as submitted
  - Minor in Translation and Interpreting
    - Discussion led by Tremblay
      - Proposal requests changes to the Translation minor to change the minor title, rename courses and course descriptions, the addition of two new Interpreting courses, and require students to obtain a “C” in the prerequisites that are specified in the course descriptions
    - Motion: Unanimous consent
    - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Psychology
  - Removing Stigmatizing Language from Psychology Course
    - Discussion led by Schwartz
      - Proposal requests changes to the PSYC 2312 and PSYC 4312 course titles to remove the term “abnormal” which is a stigmatizing term for mental illness
    - Motion: Unanimous consent
    - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Theatre and Dance
  - New Course DANC 4349
    - Discussion led by Stratton
      - Proposal requests the creation of a new course to complement the existing curriculum for current and future dance majors and minors by offering a further level of Hip Hop after DANC 3349
    - Motion: Unanimous consent
    - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Theatre and Dance
  - New Course DANC 4348
    - Discussion led by Stratton



- Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of History
  - Changes to History Concentration Options
    - Discussion led by Chavez
      - Proposal seeks to add two concentrations for students interested in becoming middle school or secondary school teachers
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Master of Intelligence and National Security Studies Program
  - INSS Certificate Increase in Credit Hours
    - Discussion led by Boehmer
      - Proposal seeks to increase each of the two INSS certificate programs by an additional three credits by adding an elective course
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted
- Department of Psychology
  - Reduction of Course Credit Requirements for Psychology Doctoral Degree
    - Discussion led by Serafine
      - Proposal seeks to reduce the total number of credit hours for completion of a Ph.D. in Psychology
  - Motion: Unanimous consent
  - Curriculum change approved as submitted

**VIII. Other Business**

- No other business to discuss.

**IX. Items Laid on the Table**

- No items laid on the table.

**X. Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 1:24 PM

**Posted: 2:26 PM on November 16, 2023**