

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Minutes

April 9, 2021

Present: Charles McAdams, Vicki Bingham, Emily Dabney, Ellen Green, Leslie Griffin, Christy Riddle, Jon Westfall
Absent: Edwin Craft, Beverly Moon, Billy Moore, Jeff Slagell
Guests: Tomeka Harbin, Chair of Management, Marketing & Business Administration; Rochelle Owsley, Director of Student Development

Call to order: A meeting of the Academic Council was held via Zoom on April 9, 2021. The meeting convened at 10:00 AM with Provost McAdams presiding.

Announcements:

Agenda item	Comments/Discussion	Action taken	Responsible party
Approval of Minutes:	March 25, 2021	Approved.	
Informational Item:			
Action Items:			
Curriculum Items	<p>Course Action Request – CED 480/GST 220 New Student Orientation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rochelle Owsley presented a Course Action Request and syllabus for GST 220/CED 480 New Student Orientation. The course trains student orientation leaders on University policies, procedures, programs, services, and how to produce a successful orientation to provide this information to students and their families. The request would allow student orientation leaders to earn credit hours in addition to the stipend they receive. - The action item to provide orientation leaders with credit hours did not receive a motion. However, a motion was made and seconded to delete CED 480/GST 220 and offer this course as a participation/activity course. 7-approved, 0-nay, 0-abstention. Motion carried. 		
Instructional Mode Definition – Online Synchronous (OS)	<p>Edits to the definition of the Online Synchronous (OS) instructional mode were presented by Provost McAdams:</p> <p><u>Online Synchronous (OS)</u> Course meets online on a regular and predictable basis at the day and time listed on the course schedule/Banner. Synchronous meetings are intended to be a platform for strategic faculty-student, student-student, or student-content</p>	Approved.	Provost McAdams

	<p>engagements. Faculty are should not required to schedule synchronous class meetings during every designated class time; and synchronous meetings should not comprise more than seventy-five percent of designated class times. however, Students registering for the course are expected to be prepared to meet during every scheduled class time. Faculty provide and maintain a schedule in the University's learning management system of all synchronous activities. This mode of instruction is not intended for use in a fully-online program.</p> <p>Motion to review the revised definition of the online-synchronous instructional method was made and seconded. 7-approved, 0-nay, 0-abstention. Motion carried.</p>		
Discussion:			
Adjourned:	10:59 AM		
Next Meeting:	Thursday, April 22, 2021 @ 8:30 AM		