

**The University of Texas at Arlington  
Undergraduate Assembly  
Minutes**

The Undergraduate Assembly met in regular session on Tuesday, November 2, 2010, at 2:15 p.m. in the UC Rio Grande. Provost Don Bobbitt presided.

**Attendance.**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Alternate</b>
Don Bobbitt	✓			
Michael Moore	✓			
Wendy Barr		✓		
Barbara Becker			✓	
Andrew Brandt			✓	
Camille Broadway	✓			
Bill Carroll			✓	
Ann Cavallo			✓	
Mary Cazzell	✓			
Wei Chen			✓	
Andrew Clark	✓			
Phil Cohen	✓			
William Dillon	✓			
Norma Figueroa	✓			
Greg Frazier	✓			
Donald Gatzke			✓	
Jeanne Gerlach	✓			
Ruth Gornet	✓			
Tom Hamilton			✓	
Dan Himarios	✓			
Holly Hungerford-Kresser	✓			
Ski Hunter			✓	
Tom Ingram	✓			
Pamela Jansma		✓		Krishnan Rajeshwar
Richard Jimmerson	✓			
Sonia Kania	✓			
Andy Kruzic			✓	
Robert Kunovich	✓			
Joo Hi Lee		✓		Peggy Semingson
Peter Lehmann			✓	
Annie Liu	✓			
Peter Lung			✓	
Albert Marichal			✓	
Diane Michal			✓	
Diane Mitschke		✓		Deborah Behan
Helen Myers	✓			
David Navalinsky	✓			
Karl Petruso	✓			
Martin Pomerantz	✓			
Elizabeth Poster	✓			
Abdul Rasheed	✓			
Aaron Resendez	✓			
Scott Ryan			✓	
Salil Sarkar	✓			
Gerald Saxon	✓			
Chris Scotese			✓	

Panos Shiakolas	✓			
Chandra Subramaniam	✓			
Meng Tao			✓	
Sonja Watson	✓			
James Welch	✓			
Beth Wright	✓			

**Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of the regular meeting on September 28, 2010, were approved with attendance corrections.

**Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.** The following items were distributed to the Undergraduate Assembly as approved by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. No action by the Undergraduate Assembly was necessary.

**AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE  
ON UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULA  
FALL, 2010**

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**Department of Curriculum & Instruction**

**Course Change**

ECED 4312 - Science/Health Early & Elem Ed - prerequisite changes - 0 hrs to 18; 12 hrs of co-requisites

ECED 4313 - Arts in Elementary Education - prerequisite changes - 0 hrs to 6; 6 hrs of co-requisites

**Department of Kinesiology**

**Course Change**

EXSA 0169 - Advanced Pilates - Grad'g Basis change - minus I; add P, W & pass/fail option

EXSA 0175 - Body Sculpting/Core Strength - Grad'g Basis change - minus I; add P, W & pass/fail option

**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS**

**Department of History**

**Course Change**

GEOG 1302 - Intro to Human Geography

**Delete Course**

HIST 3330 - The Age of Reform in United States History, 1900-1920 - new course reconfigured from 2 old courses/HIST 3330 & 3328

**Department of Modern Language**

**Course Change**

GERM 4317 - German translation - prerequisite change

GERM 4334 - The Culture of Business - course description change/updated course contents

GERM 4335 - Business German - course description change/updated course contents

RUSS 4334 - The Cultures of Business - course description change/content updated

RUSS 4335 - Business Russian - course description change/content updated

**Department of Philosophy & Humanities**

**Course Change**

LATN 4335 - Topics in Latin Literature - course description change/repeated for credit

PHIL 2311 - Logic - prerequisite added

PHIL 3307 - Seminar In Res Meth & Philosophical Writing - prerequisite added

**Department of Theatre Arts**

**Course Change**

THEA 1101 - Theatre Arts Symposium - course description change; pass/fail option

THEA 1303 - Performance Fundamentals I: Voice - course title change/new courses in vocal performance

THEA 3300 - Directing I - prerequisite delete/THEA 2352; covered in other prerequisite courses  
THEA 3320 - Playwriting - course description change/ take course - repeatable  
THEA 3340 - Movement Perf I: Fundamentals - course title change/make room for new courses  
THEA 3346 - Stage Combat - course description change/reflect course being taught

## **COLLEGE OF SCIENCE**

### **Department of Biology**

#### **Course Change**

BIOL 4150 - Seminar in Mathematical Biology - "UTTER" Program/repeat 4 times – instead of 2 times

### **Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences**

#### **Course Change**

GEOL 1135 - Geological Laboratory - change course component to lab  
GEOL 1136 - Geological Laboratory II - change course component to lab  
GEOL 1137 - Geological Laboratory III - change course component to lab

### **Department of Mathematics**

#### **Course Change**

MATH 4150 - Seminar in Math Biology - correction from original entry-change is "Repeat for Credit-Allowed"

## **SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE**

### **Department of Architecture**

#### **Course Change**

ARCH 2304 - History of Architecture & Design II - prerequisite changes  
ARCH 3324 - Structures I - prerequisite change/ Arch majors-only  
ARCH 4311 - Architectural Theory - change reflects-special topics course  
ARCH 4315 - Architectural History Topics - course description change  
ARCH 4329 - Computers & Design - change reflects-special topics course  
ARCH 4348 - Architectural Photography I - name & course description changes

#### **Delete Course**

ARCH 1242 - Design Communication II - no longer offered

### **Department of Interior Design**

#### **Course Change**

INTD 3305 - History of Interior Design - course description change  
INTD 3321 - Interior Materials I - course description change  
INTD 3322 - Interior Material II - course description change -  
INTD 3343 - Inrt Design Communications III - course title change  
INTD 3345 - Intr Design Communication IV - course title change  
INTD 4195 - Selected Topic in Interior Design - add verbiage to course description change  
INTD 4345 - Architectural Graphics - course description change; INTD majors- only  
INTD 4395 - Selected Topic in Interior Design - prerequisite changes  
INTD 4595 - Selected Topic in Interior Design - add verbiage to course description change

The following items were presented for consideration by the Undergraduate Assembly. All items were approved.

## AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULA FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE UNDERGRADUATE ASSEMBLY

## **COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

### **Department of Bioengineering**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

Changes in faculty listings; room changes

### **Department of Civil Engineering**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

Changes in faculty listings; room changes

## **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS**

### **Department of History**

#### **Add Course**

HIST 3345 - U. S. Immigration History

### **Department of Philosophy & Humanities**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

BA in Philosophy & Humanities - replacing PSYC courses/no longer offered

### **Department of Sociology & Anthropology**

#### **Add Course**

SOCI 3348 - The Sociology of Risk

SOCI 4309 - Writing for Social Sciences

### **Department of Theatre Arts**

#### **Add Course**

THEA 3311 - Vocal Performance II: Dialects

THEA 4311 - Vocal Performance III: Shakespeare and Verse

THEA 4340 - Movement Performance III: Phys Theatre

THEA 4352 - Dramaturgy

## **COLLEGE OF SCIENCE**

### **Department of Biology**

#### **Add Course**

BIOL 3131 - Service Learning

BIOL 3231 - Service Learning

BIOL 3331 - Service Learning

BIOL 4329 - Neural Engineering

BIOL 4332 - Polymers in Biomedical Engineering

BIOL 4333 - Nanobiomaterials

BIOL 4365 - Tissue Engineering Lab

### **Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

BS Program - New program; change formatting, new minors

### **College of Science**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

College of Science - delete and add courses; revisions; & text change

## **SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK**

#### **Catalog Text Change**

Bachelor of Social Work -admission requm't change - GPA 2.0 to 2.5; delete and add courses;  
add prerequisites; course description changes

### **Other Business.** Remarks by Provost Bobbitt.

As you know as part of our retention efforts, Michael Moore assumed the position and responsibilities to effectively manage our retention efforts on the freshman level. Thanks to the good work of the faculty, deans and their staff across the university we have realized some benefits from retention.

Typically the past couple of years, we have hovered around 63-65% of our first time full-time freshmen returning as sophomores. This past year the numbers look like they are going to be 72-73% so it's a very dramatic increase in just one year. As you know the state cut our budget 5%. If we retain students that would otherwise be lost to us, we retain their tuition dollars and state funding that goes with their presence here on campus.

I think we grow ourselves by serving our students better. There haven't been any dramatic changes in terms of staffing; our hard plans have been pretty robust the last year or two and that's a testament to effective budgeting but also to the fact that we've gone in the last couple of years from around 25,000 students to over 30,000 students. This is an important mission of the university.

It also has ties to our Tier I agenda. Recently the Coordinating Board has come out with some new rules. Before we can get a new Ph.D. program on this campus, our undergraduate graduation rate has to meet or exceed the state average. We're there. There are no impediments other than budgetary concerns for us moving forward with new innovative programs. Our undergraduate initiatives have heaped benefits on the institution in more ways than we can see on the surface.

**Announcement** by Michael Moore. The deadline to submit proposals to teach a freshman seminar is Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. They should be sent to Chris Conway who is serving as a teaching fellow in University College.

**Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

Michael K. Moore  
Secretary

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