



Undergraduate Academic Affairs Sub-Committee Committee Minutes

Thursday, March 21, 2024 - 9:00 am – 10:30 am
DB 406

Members in Attendance: L. Dorsey, G. Barker, T. Breitbach, L. Burke, E. Crowell, E. Gockel-Blessing, J. Helton, G. Lopiccolo, D. Manos, J., D. Pike, Fr. Rozier, J. Rust, S. Sell, C. Thomas.

Absent/Excused: Jay Haugen, Shawn Steadman, Megan Toups, and Sabrina Tyuse.

Call to order: Dr. Dorsey called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

- I. **Approval of Meeting Minutes** – February 8, 2024.
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes – Debbie Pike second by Tony Breitbach. All in favor.
- II. **Academic Program(s):**
 - a. Majors
 - Philosophy, Madrid (CIM 135) – Gary Barker
Madrid is now resourced in a manner to offer a philosophy major start to finish in Madrid. Students will no longer need to spend one semester in STL to complete the major. This is also an enriching opportunity for STL students to broaden the availability of courses taken in Madrid. Motion to approve Jesse Helton and seconded by Jennifer Rust. All in favor. Approved.
 - Spanish, B.A. to Spanish Education, M.A. Accelerated Program (CIM 669) – Gary Barker. There are no other programs in our STL area offering this type of opportunity for students to earn a BA/MA in Spanish saving time and money. The ABM does impact the undergraduate level with no change to the Graduate program. Motion to approve Jesse Helton and seconded by Scott Sell. All in favor.
 - b. Minors
 - None
 - c. Micro-credentials
 - None

d. Informational Items

- None

III. **Old Business: none**

IV. **Policy Review:**

a. Undergraduate Audit – review for vote at UAAC 4-4-24.

- A draft of the policy to review was sent from Jay. Think about providing equity in the UG audit course space in comparison to the GR audit space. The language that is in bold is what would change. Move a couple of sentences to the beginning as part of the introduction. Need clarification on the following statement: “an instructor may request an authorized withdrawal” don’t really know what it is in practice. What is the opposite of an AU. What is the mark in the end if student has not met the conditions? Lisa Dorsey will clarify with Development what it means to be an “alumni in good standing”? Lisa Dorsey will send all suggested revisions to Jay Haugen. The updates will go forward to the UAAC April 4th meeting for a vote.

b. Latin Honors – review for vote at UAAC 4-4-24

- Jay provided a draft of a new policy document where we came to a threshold of 45 credits. The bolded language is the language revised and updated. Madrid is interested in alignment with this policy. This would go into effect this May. It will go to the April 4th UAAC meeting for a vote. There were no additional revisions put forth.

c. University Academic Probation/University Academic Warning and Recovery

- The deans have expressed a desire to move academic probation/academic warnings processes to the Office of the Provost; thereby, eliminating inconsistency and variances in procedures across units and as well as how and when we dismiss. Lisa Dorsey is currently working on drafting language to move us forward. This may not be concluded in May. Revisions from the UADD group for both dismissal and probation policy guidelines remain unchanged. We are currently working on the procedural process and creating a contract for a student to identify the commitment to complete to come off probation. Addressing the need to remove probation as a term.
- Deans would not do probation/dismissal at the university level. Committee members expressed concern with the large workload this would create in the Office of the Provost and are concerned that the students may feel that the centralized process is deeply impersonable. Very concerned from a centralized Provost office. Need to clarify with the Deans.

e. University Academic Dismissal

- Similar feedback as above – one additional nuance offered, the academic unit would recommend to the Office of the Provost who to dismiss vs the Office of the Provost determining who to dismiss.

- f. Special Topics - will go to CADD 3-27-24.
- g. Policy on Independent Study, Independent Research, and Directed Study Courses – will go to CADD 3-27-24.

Policy Parking Lot

- h. Prerequisite Courses

V. Discussion Item:

VI. Announcements:

- Next UAAC Subcommittee meeting is April 11, 2024.