

# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

## UNDERGRADUATE COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

Minutes for April 24, 2024

Hybrid Meeting (Microsoft Teams and MD Anderson 306)

3pm – 5pm

**Members Present:** Melahat Almus, Whitney Breslin, Samuel Brower, Daniel Burleson, Tim Council, Arkadiusz Czader, Bret Detillier, Veronica Douglas, Medhat El Nahas, Jerry Evans, Lisa Farmer, Carla Ferrell, Rebecca Forrest, Kristen Hassett, Heidi Kennedy, Julia Kleinheider, Shonnita Leslie, Tony Liao, Teri Longacre, Holley Love, Ana Medrano, Michael Murray, Melissa Pierson, Andrew Joseph Pegoda, Daryl Robinson, Todd Romero, Scott Sawyer, Lori Selzer, David Shattuck, Pattie Schrader, James Simpson, Jamie Thomas, Chad Wayne, David Womble, Carrie Young, Blerina Xhabli

**Members Absent:** Julia Babcock, Barbara Carlin, Daniel Chang, Jeff Feng, Tejendra Gill, Dustin Gish, Priyanko Guchait, Rachel Honora, Sarah Jaleel, Patrick Lukingbeal, Daniel Maxwell, Greg Morrison, Vincent Ng, Cody Szell

**Guest:** Paul Kittle

I. **Call to Order** - The Committee was called to order by Mike Murray, UC Chair, at 3:00 PM  
Minutes from the [March 27, 2024](#) UC meeting were approved

II. **Welcome & Announcements**

a) A message from the Faculty Senate President, Susie Gronseth

III. **UC Business**

Proposal Status <https://uofh.sharepoint.com/sites/uc/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Proposals Submitted for the 2024-2025 UC Catalog Implementation Cycle: as of 03/25/2024

Proposal Category	Total	Recommendations*	Percentage
Certificate	5	2	40.0%
Course (includes 20 core related proposals)	241	225	93.4%
Degree Program - Accelerated Degree	3	3	100%
Degree Program – Bachelor’s Degree/Major	29	28	96.6%
Degree Program - Concentration/Track (sub-plans)	12	10	83.3%
Minor	19	15	78.9%
Policy	13	9	69.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>91.6%</b>

\* Includes 6 withdrawn proposals

IV. **Subcommittee Reports**

a. Breslin Subcommittee (Whitney Breslin, no report presented or submitted)

b. Brower Subcommittee (Samuel Brower, no report presented or submitted)

- c. Burleson Subcommittee (Dan Burleson, presented and [submitted a report](#))

The following proposal was presented, and **withdrawn** by subcommittee:

UC 3630 24S      Mid-term Grade Policy      Office of the Provost - Student Success

- d. El Nahas Subcommittee (Medhat El Nahas, no report presented or submitted)

- e. Hassett Subcommittee (Kristen Hassett, no report presented or submitted)

- f. Extension of the test-optional admissions policy

- Presented by Tim Council & Teri Longacre
- Presented, and **disapproval** by the UC, with a motion approving an additional one year extension of the test optional policy

UC 3641 24S      Test Optional Admission Policy extension      Admissions

- admissions policy for one year, with further review by ad-hoc committee.

Ad-Hoc committee for Extension of the test-optional admissions policy – call for volunteers:

- Samuel Brower - EDU
- Daniel Burleson - ENGR
- Lisa Farmer - NSM
- Andrew Joseph Pegoda - CLASS
- Pattie Schrader - CON
- Blerina Xhabli - NSM

## V. **Old Business**

- a. Election process for Chair Elect:

- Report from the Nominating Subcommittee with two candidates:
  - Samuel Brower
  - Daniel Burleson
- Candidate speeches from the nominees
- Election
- Certification of the election
  - Samuel Brower elected by vote of committee as Chair Elect

## VI. **New Business**

- a. First reading to the recommended changes of the UC Bylaws
- b. Suggested ad-hoc committee for faculty initiatives for proposed policy on students uploading course content to the web

## VII. **Meeting Adjourned at 4:57 PM**

## Resources

- a. **Meeting Location:** All meetings are held in room 306 (Faculty Senate Office), M.D. Anderson Library unless otherwise noted meetings are hybrid and have a Teams option.
- b. **Scheduled meetings for 2023-2024:**  
Fall 2023: August 23 (orientation meeting), August 30, September 27, October 25, November 15, December 6  
Spring 2024: January 24, February 28, March 27, April 24, May 8

c. **Helpful Websites:**

- Undergraduate Committee: [www.uh.edu/undergraduate-committee/](http://www.uh.edu/undergraduate-committee/)
- Current (2023-2024) Undergraduate Catalog: <http://publications.uh.edu/index.php>
- UH Core Curriculum section: [www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/](http://www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/)

d. **E-mail Listservs:**

- i. UC General Membership: [UNDERGRAD-COMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU](mailto:UNDERGRAD-COMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU)
- ii. UC Executive Committee: [UC-EXEC@LISTSERV.UH.EDU](mailto:UC-EXEC@LISTSERV.UH.EDU)
- iii. UC Subcommittees:
  - [BRESLIN-SUBCOMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU](mailto:BRESLIN-SUBCOMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU)
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