

UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

UNDERGRADUATE COMMITTEE OF THE FACULTY SENATE

Minutes for May 7, 2025

Hybrid Meeting (Microsoft Teams and MD Anderson 306)

3pm – 5pm

Members Present: Julia Babcock, Samuel Brower, Dan Burleson, Barbara Carlin, Arkadiusz Czader, Bret Detillier, Veronica Douglas, Medhat El Nahas, Jerry Evans, Lisa Farmer, Theresa Fedor Amador, Carla Ferrell, Rebecca Forrest, Sofia Gellon, Kristen Hassett, Rachel Honora, Heidi Kennedy, Julia Kleinheider, Tony Liao, Holley Love, Ana Medrano, Ben Montecillo, Michael Murray, Vincent Ng, Andrew Joseph Pegoda, Melissa Pierson, Daniel Price, Todd Romero, Scott Sawyer, Lori Selzer, David Shattuck, Deborah Smith, Marcus Stewart, Jamie Thomas, David Womble, Kialyn Yendell, Carrie Young, Donnell Young

Members Absent: Whitney Breslin, Daniel Chang, Timothy Council, Anne Dayton, Alex Derrick, Jeff Feng, Tejendra Gill, Daniela Gonzalez, Jordan Jones, Teri Longacre, Patrick Lukingbeal, Greg Morrison, Ben Rayder, Daryl Robinson, Tara Sass, Kalliope Vlahos, Chad Wayne

Guests Present:

- I. **Call to Order** - The Committee was called to order by Ana I. Medrano, UC Chair of Faculty Senate, at 03:00 PM. Minutes from the [April 30, 2025](#) UC meeting were approved, with amendments to the attendance list.
- II. **Welcome & Announcements**
A message from Faculty Senate President, Holley Love
- III. **UC Business**

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

Proposals Submitted for the 2025-2026 UC Catalog Implementation Cycle: *as of 5/05/2025*

Proposal total: 504
Degree Programs: 104
Course Proposals: 380 (12 CORE)
Administrative: 5
Policy: 13

Approved by UC to date: 477
Course proposals: 375 (98.6%)
CORE: 10

creations: 110
deletions: 68
revisions: 187
Policy proposals: 8
Program proposals: 104

Withdrawn: 27

IV. Subcommittee Reports

Burleson Subcommittee – NSM (EAS, MATH, PHYS)/COTA/GHL/Hobby (Dan Burleson presented and submitted a report)

The following proposal was presented, discussed and **approved** by UC in vote:

UC 4195: BFA Photo/Video Degree Title Change

Changing the name of the degree from BFA Photography/Digital Media to BFA in Photo/Video. Will help to distinguish from the Digital Media program in the Technology Division of Engineering.

The following proposal was presented to inform the UC of the submission, but was **withdrawn** by the proposer to be resubmitted in the next academic cycle:

UC 4244: Liberal Studies BA and BS Degree Revisions

El Nahas Subcommittee – CLASS (HISP, HIST, MAS, Mod/Class Lang) (Medhat El Nahas presented and submitted a report)

The following proposals were presented, discussed and **approved** by UC in vote:

UC 4189 : Closure of Interpreting and Translation- ASL/English (INTN), Pre-INTN and BA

CLASS requests the closure of the program due to low enrollment.

UC 4190: Closure of the French, BA program

CLASS requests the closure of the program due to low enrollment.

Forrest Subcommittee – CLASS (ANTH, COMD, ECO, ENGL, HHP)/ENGR (Tech Div) (Rebecca Forrest did not present or submit a report)

Hassett Subcommittee – CLASS (POLS, PSYCH, COMM, SOC)/NSM (B&B, CHEM, CSC)/HONORS (Kristen Hassett did not submit or present a report)

Kleinheider Subcommittee – ARCH/Bauer/EDU/ENGR (Julia Kleinheider did not submit or present a report)

V. **Old Business**

VI. **New Business**

- I. UC Bylaws – revision of diversity statement. Consultation with Jennifer Bloom in OGC confirmed that modifications to statement are not in violation of Title VI.
- II. Amendment was **approved** by the UC.

VII. **Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 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 2024-2025:**
Fall 2024: August 14 (orientation meeting), August 28, September 25, October 30, November 13, December 4
Spring 2025: January 29, February 26, March 26, April 30, May 7
- c. **Helpful Websites:**
 - Undergraduate Committee: www.uh.edu/undergraduate-committee/
 - Current (2024-2025) Undergraduate Catalog: <http://publications.uh.edu/index.php>
 - UH Core Curriculum section: www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/
- d. **E-mail Listservs:**
 - i. UC General Membership: UNDERGRAD-COMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
 - ii. UC Executive Committee: UC-EXEC@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
 - iii. UC Subcommittees:
 - BURLESON-SUBCOMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
 - ELNAHAS-SUBCOMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
 - FORREST-SUBCOMMITTEE@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
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