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**The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Undergraduate Council
Minutes of Meeting
October 20, 2009
2:00pm – Room 223-224 – University Center**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Amy Billone, Toby Boulet, Chuck Collins, Don Cox, Kathryn Salzer (for Steve Dandaneau), Ruth Darling, Maria Dill, Jeff Fairbrother, Ann Fairhurst, George Hoemann, Barbara Klinkhammer, John Koontz (Vice Chair/Chair Elect), Maura Lafferty, Sally McMillan, Jeff Mellor, Mark Moon, John Mount, Alex Mullins, Bill Park, Fred Pierce, Chris Pionke, Gary Ramsey, Matthew Theriot, Dixie Thompson (Chair), Cynthia White

OTHER ATTENDEES: Fadia Alvic, Monique Anderson, Sarah DeYoung, Rebekah Page, Missy Parker

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Dixie Thompson, Chair.

The minutes of the [September 8, 2009](#), meeting of the Undergraduate Council were approved.

Committee Reports

- Academic Policy (Billone)—NO REPORT
- Advising (Darling)—NO REPORT
- Appeals (Park)—see page [U1619](#)
- Curriculum (Theriot)—see pages [U1620-U1622](#)
- General Education(Collins)—see page [U1623](#)

Bill Park summarized the Appeals Committee's annual numbers. Proposals from the Curriculum and General Education Committees were approved.

Toby Boulet, Faculty Senate President, thanked the Undergraduate Council for its work, reviewed the functions of Faculty Senate, and invited those interested to consider serving in the Senate.

Fred Pierce noted that the LDAP barrier to Advisortrac's implementation had been overcome, and the project was progressing swiftly.

Monique Anderson suggested that Linda Painter be invited to a future meeting to discuss the Banner implementation project.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

APPEALS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT
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Readmissions and Reinstatement Recap, Fall 2008 through Summer 2009

Dismissal Appeals Overview

This year, we witnessed an increase in both the number of academic dismissals and the percentage of cases appealed.

Number of Academic Dismissals			
School Year	Total Dismissals	# Appeals	% of Dismissals Appealed
2008-09	824	92	11.2%
2007-08	757	65	8.6%
2006-07	671	72	10.7%

Dismissal Appeal Decisions				
School Year	# Appeals	# Granted	# Denied	% Granted
2008-09	92	22	70	24%
2007-08	65	18	47	28%
2006-07	72	30	42	42%

For students dismissed for the first time, the new policy (2007-08) reduced the amount of dismissal time from a full year to one semester. This accounts for the sharp decrease in percentage of appeals granted for first time dismissals the past two years.

Appeals from Students Dismissed for the First Time				
Year	# Appeals	# Granted	# Denied	% Granted
2008-09	61	10	51	16%
2007-08	48	11	37	23%
2006-07	67	29	38	43%

Appeals from Students Dismissed for Two or More Times				
Year	# Appeals	# Granted	# Denied	% Granted
2008-09	31	12	19	39%
2007-08	17	7	10	41%
2006-07	5	1	4	20%

Readmissions Overview

Students previously dismissed more than once must appear before the Committee in person to discuss their academic plans, study strategies, and ways in which they have positioned themselves for success at UT.

Readmission Appeals from Students Previously Dismissed More Than Once				
Year	# Applications	# Granted	# Denied	% Granted
2008-09	38	29	9	76%
2007-08	55	39	16	71%
2006-07	60	41	19	68%

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Curriculum Committee met at 3:30 p.m. on October 6, 2009.

Members Present: Don Cox, Jeff Fairbrother, Tom George, Ron Kalafsky, Barbara Klinkhammer, Sally McMillan, Mark Moon, John Mount, Alex Mullins, Fred Pierce, Chris Pionke, Gary Ramsey, Matthew Theriot (chair)

Other Attendees: Cheryl Norris, Bill Park (for Mary Albrecht)

Curricular proposals from the College of Architecture and Design were approved.

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Effective: Fall 2010

COURSE CHANGES

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

(ARCH) (133) Architecture

DROP ELIGIBILITY FOR GRADUATE CREDIT (JOINT UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PROPOSAL)

403 Introduction to Preservation (3)

404 Preservation Technology (3)

406 Ideas in Architecture (3)

410 History and Theory of Urban Form (3)

412 Non-Western and Indigenous Architecture (3)

417 The International Style (3)

420 History of American Architecture (3)

433 Computer Applications in Design III (3)

463 Architectural Development (3)

473 Architectural Photography (3)

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

We are distinguishing undergraduate from graduate courses. These courses are currently taught under a 400 number and combined with the same course number in the both the Graduate and Undergraduate catalogs. However, the 500 level course number reinforces to students and faculty that graduate content and expectations are higher. All graduate programs in the College will have only 500 numbers. Landscape Architecture, in a similar Masters program uses only 500 numbers. This also allows for easier cross-registration between our programs. Graduate students under the current system are confused about which 400 level courses are available for graduate credit. This makes our system much more consistent.

DROP

401 Architectural History/Theory I (3)

402 Architectural History/Theory II (3)

335 Structures in Architecture I (3)

336 Structures in Architecture II (3)

346 Principles of Environmental Control II (3)

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

These courses are currently numbered at the undergraduate level only. We are distinguishing undergraduate from graduate courses in our revised curriculum for the MArch. 401, 402, 435, 436, 346 are required courses for the MArch, and are available ONLY to Masters students. They are being replaced with graduate numbered courses. We had much cleaning up to do.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES NOT TAUGHT IN FOUR OR MORE YEARS

TO BE DROPPED FALL 2010

Note: If courses are cross-listed and the primary course is dropped, the secondary course(s) will also be dropped. Courses with * are available for graduate credit and will be removed from the *Graduate Catalog* if dropped. Courses with † are on the General Education List.

COLLEGE	ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE	COURSE
ARTS & SCIENCES		
	(144) Asian Languages	312 (Chin Literature in English Translation) ----- Secondary cross-list—CHIN 312
	(405) French	*413 (French Literature 18 th Century)
	(415) Geography	210 (Intro Technical Geography)
	(433) German	478 (German Honors)
		497 (Senior Honors)
	(462) History	384 (History of Jewish Civilizations II) ----- Secondary cross-list—JST 384
		391 (Chinese Intellectual History)
	(712) Music Keyboard	*495 (Suzuki Piano Method II)
	(713) Music Performance	385 (Harpsichord)
		*440 (Euphonium)
	(715) Music Voice	230 (Acting for Singers)
	(745) Philosophy	*473 (Philosophy of Mind)
	(830) Psychology	*424 (Psychology and the Law)
	(863) Religious Studies	326 (Images of Jesus)
	(976) Theatre	*431 (Principles of Play Directing)
		*470 (Playwriting)
BUSINESS ADMIN		
	(962) Statistics	485 (Principles of Statistical Process Mgt)
COMMUNICAT & INFORMATION		
	(250) Communication Studies	260 (Communication and Society)
		271 (Intercollegiate Forensics)
		371 (Intercollegiate Forensics)
EDUCATION, HEALTH, & HUMAN SCIENCES		

COLLEGE	ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE	COURSE
	(255) Counselor Education	206 (Facilitation/Tech Work Teams)
		215 (Learning Skills/ Study Systems)
		406 (Engr Com/Perf Field Work)
	(310) Educational Psychology	*460 (Self-Mgt/Helping Professions)
	(449) Health	426 (Health Educ Program Plan)
	(839) Public Health	305 (Disease Epidemiol/ Prevention/Control)
	(978) Theory & Practice in Teacher Educat	203 (Field Study in Education)
ENGINEERING		
	(192) Biomedical Engineering	*475 (Design Artif Internal Organs)
	(254) Civil Engineering	*453 (Airport/Railroad Plan/Design)

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The General Education Committee met at 8:30 a.m. on September 9 and October 14, 2009.

The deadline for proposals for new or changes to general education courses: Friday, October 30th (see <http://web.utk.edu/~ugcouncil/genedrequirement.shtml> for details).

Approved/Updated Courses:

- WC - EEB 409 Perspectives in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- WC -Phil 340 Ethical Theory (Title)
- WC - Phil 347 Honors: Ethical Theory (Title)
- SS - UH 267 Topic: "Science and Revolution" (Kovac)
- SS – Pols 101 US Government and Politics
- AH – UH 257 Topics: "Contemporary Womens' Spirituality" (Mendola), "Sexual Violence in Western Culture" (Barrow), "Literary Venice" (Schoenbach), "The City as Theatre" (Vandenberg)
- AH – UH 258 Foundations of Modernity (Lafferty)

Other Business:

- In discussion with Provost and System about agreements about General Education transferability among UT and TBR schools
- Discussing the future of Gen Ed in terms of future budget situations and will meet with administration in the future to lay out possible plans
- Reviewing sub-committee memberships

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 9th, 8:30am, UC 237