



University Council

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – 2025-2026

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The Full University Curriculum Committee met on April 18, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. in 327 Brooks Hall, and August 15, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. in 207 Holmes-Hunter Academic Building. Since the last Report to the University Council, the committee approved 40 new courses and 284 course changes.

The committee unanimously approved the following proposals, which were forwarded to the Executive Committee of the University Council for consideration:

- Proposal for a Minor in Cancer Therapeutics
- Proposal for a Minor in Children's and Young Adult Literature
- Proposal to offer the existing major in Social Studies Education (M.Ed.) online

- Proposal to terminate the major in Reading Education (M.Ed.) on the Athens campus only
- Proposal to terminate the major in Music Education (Ed.D.)
- Proposal for the following institute name change:
 - From: Institute on Human Development and Disability
 - To: David Ralston Institute for Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
- Proposal to offer the existing major in English Education (M.A.T.) online
- Proposal to deactivate the major in Water and Soil Resources (B.S.E.S.)

The committee unanimously approved a proposal for a new course prefix, MUSE, Museum Studies.

The committee unanimously approved a proposal for an Area of Emphasis in Therapeutics Discovery under the major in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (M.S., Non-Thesis).

The committee unanimously approved a proposal to terminate the following Areas of Emphasis under the major in Middle Grades Education (M.Ed.): Area of Emphasis in Mathematics and Language Arts; Area of Emphasis in Mathematics and Science; Area of Emphasis in Mathematics and Social Studies; Area of Emphasis in Science and Language Arts; Area of Emphasis in Social Studies and Language Arts; and the Area of Emphasis in Social Studies and Science.

The committee unanimously approved a proposal for changes under the major in Environmental Resource Science (B.S.E.S.), including the creation of an Area of Emphasis in Water and Soil Resources and the termination of the Area of Emphasis in Environmental Chemistry and the Area of Emphasis in Resource Management.

Dr. Susan Sanchez was re-elected as University Curriculum Committee Chair for the 2025-2026 Academic Year.

The committee elected the following course approval subcommittee chairs for the 2025-2026 Academic Year:

- Julie Campbell, Chair of the Physical Sciences and Mathematics subcommittee
- Richard Chandler, Chair of the Biological Sciences subcommittee
- Joe Miller, Chair of the Social Sciences subcommittee
- Casie LeGette, Chair of the Humanities and Fine Arts subcommittee
- Andrew Miller, Chair of the Other Professional Courses subcommittee

The following information items were presented to the committee:

The administrative home of the Graduate Certificate in Financial Literacy was moved from the Department of Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies Education in the Mary Frances Early College of Education to the Department of Financial Planning, Housing, and Consumer Economics in the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

The Institutional Competencies Subcommittee met 25 times since February 2025. The subcommittee considered 1,298 courses, of which 1,050 were approved to satisfy at least one of the six different competencies. The subcommittee provided guidance for the submission and resubmission of courses and activities to satisfy Institutional Competencies.

The General Education Subcommittee met on March 17, 2025, and approved the requests to include the following course in the list of courses that satisfy the General Education Requirement:

Area IV, World Language and Global Culture
HIPR 2072, Introduction to Global Heritage Conservation

Area V, Social Sciences
HIPR 2000, Introduction to Historic Preservation
PHIL 1005, Contemporary Ethical Issues

The General Education Subcommittee denied the request to include the following course in the list of courses that satisfy the General Education Requirement:

Area IV, World Language and Global Culture
ENGR 2510, Evolution of Engineering: Technology, Society, and Culture

The Cultural Diversity Subcommittee met on March 28, 2025, and approved the requests to include the following course in the list of courses that satisfy the Cultural Diversity Requirement:

ANTH 4350-4350L, Anthropology of North America
RELI 1400, Jews and Judaism in Popular Culture
RELI 3500, Antisemitism
SPAN 2150, Language Diversity and Linguistic Identity: Spanish in the United States

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee met on March 24, 2025, and May 6, 2025, and approved the following courses and non-credit activities to be included in the Experiential Learning Implementation Plans for various schools/colleges:

ANTH 4280, Internship in Anthropology (*Internship; Arts and Sciences*)

ARST 3805, Animation - 2D and Experimental Motion Graphics (*Creative; Arts and Sciences*)
College of Family and Consumer Sciences Student Ambassador Program
(*Leadership; FACS*)
EHSC 4000L, Field Investigations in Environmental Health Lab (*Research; Public Health*)
Loop Abroad: Costa Rica Pre-Vet Internship (*Internship; OVPI*)
Loop Abroad: Greece Marine Internship (*Internship; OVPI*)
Loop Abroad: Greece Pre-Vet (*Internship; OVPI*)
Loop Abroad: Greece Wildlife Research Internship (*Internship; OVPI*)
Loop Abroad South Africa Pre-Vet Research Internship (*Internship; OVPI*)
Loop Abroad: South Africa Zoo Internship (*Internship; OVPI*)
MARK 4210, Professional Selling and Customer Relationship Management
(*Leadership; Business*)
Recreational Sports Council (*Leadership; Student Affairs*)
School of Public and International Affairs Non-Credit Internship Program
(*Internship; SPIA*)
Video Editor and Social Media Intern, Undergraduate Admissions (*Internship; OVPI*)
Coaching4Success Academic Coaches (*Service; OVPI*)
Holbrook Society (*Leadership; GA Museum of Art*)
Residential Belonging Assistants (*Leadership; Student Affairs*)

The Experiential Learning Subcommittee denied the following courses to be included in the Experiential Learning Implementation Plans:

ANTH 3444, Ancient Human Health (*Creative; Arts and Sciences*)
ANTH 4620, Applied Anthropology (*Creative; Arts and Sciences*)
GRMN 3880, Transnational Germany: Contemporary German Film, Literature, Art, and Popular Culture (*Research; Arts and Sciences*)
GRMN 3890, Creativity vs. Crisis: 1920s Berlin in Literature, Film, and Art
(*Research; Arts and Sciences*)

The Environmental Awareness Subcommittee met on April 17, 2025, and approved the request to include the following course in the list of courses that satisfy the Environmental Awareness Requirement:

ECOL 2000, Our Planet: Ecological Basis of Life and Death



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cc: Provost Benjamin Ayers
Dr. Marisa Anne Pagnattaro