

Undergraduate Council Minutes

Apr 25, 2010 at 2:15 PM

Committee Members: Michael Lockett (Chair), Karin Braunsberger, James Kessenides, Seth McKee
Michael Sampson, Kaya van Beynen (Secretary)

Regrets: Jennefer Khattabi

Guests: None

Meeting: Call for Email discussion and vote on Apr 25, 2010 at 2:15 PM by Michael Lockett

New Business:

1. Approval of GEB4XXX: Healthcare Strategy as a new course in the Healthcare Administration cluster in the Bachelor of Health Sciences degree program and will serve as an elective in the Healthcare Administration minor program.
2. Change in prerequisites for ECO4504 Public Finance. The **old PRs:** ECP 3703: Managerial Economics or ECO 3101: Intermediate Price Theory
New PR: ECO 2023 Economic Principles (Microeconomics)

Justification: In practice, the old prerequisites were never enforced and, with the approval of the Econ faculty (Consent of Instructor), Advising would only enforce the Microeconomics (2023) class as the "real" PR. This simply makes it official and cleans up the PR structure, as well as make the class more widely available. In addition, it appears as though ECO 3101 was culled from the USFSP UG catalog for not having been offered in the past three years. This inconsistency was discovered during development of the healthcare administration programs and the Econ faculty agreed that this should be addressed.

3. Change in prerequisites for ECP 3530
4. Approval of Healthcare Administration (HCA) Minor program in USFSP College of Business
5. Approval of Healthcare Administration (HCA) Cluster program as part of the Bachelors of Science degree program in Health Sciences.

Discussion:

The issue is an administrative one and involves moving the BA in Economics degree from the CAS to the COB. Currently, the COB offers a BS in Economics degree. This change would consolidate both majors (BA and BS in Economics) under the COB and would have no other changes to the major content/courses, etc. I believe the major difference between the two degrees is that the BA has a foreign language requirement.

Apparently, this is being done in order to simplify some SACS issues. As we understand it, SACS wants the major to be housed in the college that teaches the majority of hours in the major. Currently, all economics courses are taught in the COB -- thus the move. There are 19 BA in Economics majors who

will now become COB students but do not face any changes in their major classes, hours, etc.

This changes has already been approved by both CAS Dean Biafora and COB Dean Ebrahimpour, as well as the the COB UCAC.

UGC Results:

The proposed change passed 5 in favor, 0 against and 2 abstains on Dec. 9th at 1PM.

In Favor: Braunsberger, Bullard, Lockett, McKee, Van Beynen

Abstain: Kessenides, Sampson