

**MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES**  
**NOVEMBER 11, 2019**  
**230 STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING, 3:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** K. Redican (Chair); K. Albright; C. Boone for J. Ross; S. Corcoran; P. Deck; K. Edgar; K. Hodges for V. Fowler; L. Hoyns; L. Khansa; C. Leeth; R. Panneton for S. Morton; L. Racek for A. Grant; J. Sible; D. Thorp; E. Wiseman

**ABSENT:** G. Daniel; J. Falls; K. Goynes; R. Holloway; A. Johnson; L. Learman; S. Metko; M. Byers; J. Paul; C. Touzel; D. Wodak; M. Wolfe

**VISITORS:** N. Akers; D. Cannon; G. Costello; R. Denton; S. Edwards; K. Hosig; A. Myers; B. Smith; R. Sparks

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by K. Redican, Chair.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES**

K. Redican announced the October 28, 2019 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar's website:

[https://www.registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar\\_vt\\_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2019-2020/10-28-19/minutes\\_cusp\\_10\\_28\\_19.pdf](https://www.registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar_vt_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2019-2020/10-28-19/minutes_cusp_10_28_19.pdf)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 2019-2020.E** *Resolution for the Establishment of the School of Communication and Digital Media, Second Reading*

The motion was made and seconded to present for second reading Resolution 2019-2020.E *Resolution for the Establishment of the School of Communication and Digital Media*.

K. Redican opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2019-2020.E.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- D. Thorp noted that the supporting documentation had been updated per Commission suggestions.
- R. Denton discussed the possibility of future partnerships between Communications and the English department; the impact on graduate education, and the potential establishment of a Master's program geared towards the Northern Virginia region.

Hearing no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded to APPROVE Resolution 2019-2020.E. This Resolution will be forwarded for review at University Council.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Resolution 2019-2020.F** *Resolution to Approve New Major, Data-Centric Computing, in Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, First Reading*

The motion was made and seconded to present for first reading Resolution 2019-2020.F *Resolution to Approve New Major, Data-Centric Computing, in Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.*

K. Redican opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2019-2020.F.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- S. Edwards provided background on enrollment numbers and expected growth in the program, as well as how the new majors will allow for more specialized areas of study.

Resolution 2019-2020.F will be forwarded to Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, Student Government Association, and Graduate Student Assembly for comment. The second reading of Resolution 2019-2020.F will take place at the next available CUSP meeting.

#### **Resolution 2019-2020.G** *Resolution to Approve New Major, Secure Computing, in Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, First Reading*

The motion was made and seconded to present for first reading Resolution 2019-2020.G *Resolution to Approve New Major, Secure Computing, in Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.*

K. Redican opened the floor for discussion on Resolution 2019-2020.G.

Discussion and clarification topics included the following:

- S. Edwards provided background on enrollment numbers and expected growth in the program, as well as how the new majors will allow for more specialized areas of study.

Resolution 2019-2020.G will be forwarded to Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, Student Government Association, and Graduate Student Assembly for comment. The second reading of Resolution 2019-2020.G will take place at the next available CUSP meeting.

## **REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Academic Support Committee**

No report.

#### **Academic Policies Committee**

No report.

#### **Athletics Committee**

No report.

#### **Commencement Committee**

L. Khansa reported on potential changes in 2021 due to space issues.

#### **Honor Council**

No report.

#### **Library Committee**

No report.

#### **Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**

P. Deck presented the report of the October 25, 2019 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the October 25, 2019 report of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT—OCTOBER 25, 2019**

**For “First and Second Reading”  
Unanimous Approval**

<b>COURSES</b>
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**New:**

**Spring 2020**

**College of Natural Resources and Environment**

SBIO 3264 Packaging Supply Chain (CM-5333)

**Revised:**

**Spring 2020**

**College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

BC 1214 Introduction to Building Construction I (CM-5349)

BC 1224 Introduction to Building Construction II (CM-5350)

**College of Engineering**

ME 2004 (MATH 2004) Engineering Analysis Using Numerical Methods (CM-5253)

ECE 3614 Introduction to Communication Systems (CM-5329)

**Tabled:**

**Fall 2021**

**College of Engineering**

ME 4744 Mechatronics: Theory and Application (CM-5364)

<b>DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS</b>
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**Major:**

**New:**

**Graduating calendar year 2021**

**College of Engineering**

Major: Data-Centric Computing (DCC) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (BSCS), effective for students graduating in calendar year 2021, first term and year to enroll: Spring 2020, first term and year to graduate: Winter 2021 (previously tabled on 4/26/19) (CM-5030)

Major: Secure Computing (SC) under Degree: Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (BSCS), effective for students graduating in calendar year 2021, first term and year to enroll: Spring 2020, first term and year to graduate: Winter 2021 (previously tabled on 4/26/19) (CM-5031)

**University Curriculum Committee for General Education**

**Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee**

K. Hodges presented the revised report of the September 11, 2019 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 11, 2019 report of the Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

<b><u>PATHWAYS AD-HOC REVIEW COMMITTEE REVISED REPORT—SEPTEMBER 11, 2019</u></b>
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**For “First and Second Reading”  
Unanimous Approval**

<b>COURSES</b>
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**New:**

**CLE Spring 2020/Pathways Spring 2020**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

HIST 1764: History of Rock ‘n’ Roll (CLE Area 2 and 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5248)

**Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee**

K. Hodges presented the report of the October 23, 2019 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the October 23, 2019 report of the Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**PATHWAYS AD-HOC REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT—OCTOBER 23, 2019**

**For “First and Second Reading”  
Unanimous Approval**

**COURSES**

**New:**

**CLE Spring 2020/Pathways Spring 2020**

**College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

ART 1334: Themes in Visual Arts and Cultures (CLE Area 2 and 6, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Critique and Practice in the Arts G06a, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5454)

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

CHN 2734: Chinese Culture and Civilization (CLE Area 2, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) CM 5341)

CLA 2464: Mythology, Philosophy and Video Games (CLE Area 2, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5325)

HIST 2624: Topics in History of Data in Social Context (CLE Areas 2 and 3, Pathways Advanced Discourse G01a, Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 5249)

HIST 3354: Reform and Revolution in Early Modern England (CLE Areas 2 and 3, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 4860)

**College of Science**

ECON 1204: Economics of Race (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States G07, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 5382)

**Pathways Spring 2020**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

HIST 3124 (CRIM 3124): Murder in American History (Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Identity and Equity in the United States G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5250)

**Revised:**

**CLE Spring 2020/Pathways Spring 2020**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

ENGL 3844: Writing and Digital Media (CLE Areas 2 and 7, Pathways Advanced Discourse G01a, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 5315)

SPAN 3514: Spanish for Medical Professions (CLE Areas 2 and 7, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5343)

SPAN 3534: Spanish for Business Professions (CLE Areas 2 and 7, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 5344)

**Discontinued:**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

HIST 3424: Tudor and Early Stuart England, 1509-1660

<b>MINORS</b>
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**New:****College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Peace Studies and Social Justice (PSSJ); First term to declare minor: Fall 2019;  
First term and year to graduate: Winter 2022 (CM 5148)

**Discontinued:****College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Peace Studies and Violence Prevention (PSVP), last term/year to graduate: Fall  
2022

**CONSTITUENT REPORTS****Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs**

No report.

**Staff Senate**

No report.

**Faculty Senate**

No report.

**Student Government Association**

No report.

**Graduate Student Assembly**

No report.



## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:11 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Becki Smith, Office of the University Registrar*