

MEETING MINUTES

Joint University-Wide Curriculum Committee

November 20, 2025 | 11:40 a.m. – 12:40 p.m., Remote Meeting

Members Present: Robert Bromfield, Shawn Calhoun, Kate Carlin, Johnathan Cromwell, Cathy Gabor, Tika Lamsal, Jo Loomis, Marisa McCarthy, Megan O'Banion, Deborah Panter, Leyla Pérez-Gualdrón, Natalia Powers-Riggs, April Randle, Natacha Ruck, Todd Sayre, Richard Stackman, Carol Spector, and James Taylor

Members Absent: Carlee Balzaretto, Maria Castillo, and Nicole Kircher

Agenda Items:

I. Welcome, Approval of the Minutes & Agenda (5 min)

New Member: Shawn Calhoun, Dean, Gleeson Library

The JUCC Co-Chairs welcomed the Committee members and asked them to review the October meeting minutes. A Co-Chair asked for comments. There were none. A Co-Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. There was a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded. The minutes were approved. A Co-Chair asked for a motion to approve the agenda. There was a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded. The agenda was approved.

II. Updates (15 min)

- [Syllabus Statement Options for Generative AI](#)

At a prior meeting, the JUCC unanimously voted to approve the updated third option for the Syllabus Statement Options for Generative AI. Since then, the Provost has approved the updated version. It is posted on the web pages of ETS and the Provost.

- [Changes to JUCC Bylaws Regarding Electing a Faculty Co-Chair](#)

Co-Chair Tika Lamsal attended the USFFA Policy Board meeting where the changes to the JUCC Bylaws were discussed. The Policy Board had some reservations about the changes and will plan to make some suggestions.

A Committee member recalled that the Policy Board was considering filing a grievance regarding the proposal for the changes to the number of foreign language units required of transfer students as this change should have gone through the JUCC. The proposal is not at the JUCC step in Curriculog. This change would only impact students in the College of Arts and Sciences as opposed to multiple schools.

III. Curriculog Proposals (20 min)

- [European Studies Minor Deactivation](#)

College of Arts and Sciences Committee members noted that the proposal came through the College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, which reviewed the declining enrollment, current low enrollment, and the pathway to graduation for the student enrolled. A Co-Chair called for a motion to approve the deactivation. There was a motion to approve. The motion was seconded. There was a show of hands in favor of the motion. A Co-Chair asked for any hands in opposition or in abstention. There were none. The deactivation was approved to move forward in Curriculog.

- **Core A2 Requirement for Transfer Students**

Members of the Committee summarized the proposal. To improve recruitment and retention of transfer students, changes to this requirement would allow transfer students to get credit for a passing grade in a Core A2 equivalent course from an accredited institution. This would impact several departments. The Department of Rhetoric and Language discussed the proposal, including with the Dean, since the majority of Core A2 courses are taught by faculty in the Department of Rhetoric and Language. Core A2 satisfaction was awarded to over 100 spring transfer students and was retroactively applied to over 50 fall transfer students. This change is in alignment with other core requirements that can be satisfied by transfer credit and supports on-time graduation efforts. A Co-Chair called for a motion to approve the proposal. There was a motion to approve. The motion was seconded. There was a show of hands in favor of the motion. A Co-Chair asked for any hands in opposition or in abstention. There were two votes in abstention. The proposal was approved to move forward in Curriculog.

IV. Faculty Representatives Renewing Terms - February Deadline to Notify USFFA (15 min)

- **James Taylor**
- **Natalia Powers-Riggs (serving out Vahab Pournaghshband's term)**
- **Johnathan Cromwell**
- **Natacha Ruck (USFPTFA)**

Four faculty service terms will end in the spring semester. The USFFA leadership requests notification from its faculty members in February as to whether they will pursue another service term.

V. Closing and Action Items (5 min)

Deborah Panter announced that her term as Co-Chair will end after the March meeting due to her retirement on April 1, 2026. A Committee Member asked whether the JUCC reviewed the 120 graduation requirement change. It was reviewed during the previous semester. The Co-Chairs officially closed the meeting.