Committee Members in Attendance:
Crystal Aneke, Matthew Badagliacca, Laura Bayless, Catherine Buell, Joseph Cautela, Gerald Higdon, Michael Nosek, Charles Roberts, Joseph Wachtel

Committee Members Absent:
Cathy Canney, Alberto Cardelle, Rala Diakite, Crista Marr, Kisha Tracy

Guests:
Marcel Beausoleil, Keith Chenot, Nadimpalli Mahadev, Nirajan Mani, Kelly Norris

Dr. Michael Nosek called quorum at 3:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
AUC Meeting: December 5, 2019
Motion: Charles Roberts Second: Catherine Buell
There were a couple typos that need to be corrected. Michael and Deresa will correct and resend.
Vote: 7/0/2

Acceptance of Sub-Committee Minutes
AUC Curriculum Committee: December 19, 2019
AUC Curriculum Committee: February 4, 2020
LAS Subcommittee: December 12, 2019
LAS Subcommittee: January 14, 2020
Motion: Laura Bayless Second: Catherine Buell
Vote: 9/0/0
REFERRAL OF NEW PROPOSALS

Refer AUC #15 – #30 and #32 – #34 to the AUC Curriculum Committee
Motion: Joe Cautela    Second: Laura Bayless
Vote: 9/0/0

Refer AUC #31 to the AUC Academic Policy Committee and the AUC Student Affairs Committee
AUC #31: "Set School Cancellation/Delayed Opening Notification Time No Later Than 5:00 AM"
Motion: Laura Bayless    Second: Matthew Badagliacca
Vote: 9/0/0

PROPOSALS OF REVIEW

AUC #2: Change of a Required Core Course for Computer Information Systems Program
Sponsor: Nadimpalli Mahadev
Motion: Matthew    Second: Catherine Buell
This proposal will add CSC 3011 Modeling and Database Design as a required course for Computer Information Systems. This will replace CSC 2400 Database Systems, as a required core course in the program.
Vote: 9/0/0

AUC 3: Changes to Cyber Security Concentration
Sponsor: Nadimpalli Mahadev
Motion: Joe Cautela    Second: Joseph Wachtel
This is to give clarification of the original proposal (AUC #8, 2017). The wording in the original proposal stated "additional requirements for the CSC concentration" which made it sound like that was additional requirements, but the intent of (AUC #8, 2017) was to have the three Cyber Security Concentration electives of 3000 level or above, replaced with three specific courses.
So this new proposal is to have the original requirement of three electives of 3000 level or above replaced with three specific courses.
Vote: 9/0/0
AUC #4 – New Course: Computational Thinking

Sponsor: Nadimpalli Mahadev

Motion: Catherine Buell        Second: Laura Bayless

Computational Thinking has been taught as a topics course. It is not a core course in the CS and CIS programs but may become one eventually.

Students will learn computational thinking, problem solving skills, and algorithm programming.

The check mark that is next to laboratory (on line #13) is not a physical lab setting, it is a software lab the students will be working on.

Amendment:

The curriculum committee had friendly amendments at their meeting on 12/19/19. AUC does not accept the amendment for item #9. AUC would like to keep the check mark next to "Elective" and leave that line blank (remove CS and CIS). This is because this course can be an elective for entire campus and non-majors.

Vote: 9/0/0 (Unanimously approved with friendly amendments)

AUC #4 - LAS Designation: SMT Cluster

Motion: Charles Roberts        Second: Matthew Badagliacca

AUC Co-Chair Michael Nosek stated the curriculum committee did vote on the SMT designation at their 12/19/19 meeting but it was omitted from those minutes. Curriculum Chair Steve Fiedler will correct those minutes and resubmit them.

Sponsor stated this course's goal of the LAS curriculum will fall under "problem solving".

Vote: 9/0/0

AUC #7: Prerequisite Change for EXSS 2023, Introduction to Sports Medicine

Motion: Matthew Badagliacca        Second: Joe Cautela

Sponsor was not in attendance at the meeting. Committee will table discussion.

Motion to table AUC #7 by Charles Roberts and seconded by Joe Cautela

Vote: 9/0/0
AUC #8: Change the Degree BSE in Applied Science & Technology /Engineering to BS in Applied Science & Technology

Sponsor: Nirajan Mani
Motion: Matthew Badagliacca  Second: Joe Cautela

This proposal is changing the degree from BSE to BS and removing the term "engineering" in the program name.

A committee member brought up that after this proposal is approved by AUC, the degree name change will need to go to BHE.

Vote: 9/0/0

AUC #9: Creation of a New Course Prefix (COMG) for the Construction Management Discipline and the Re-Designation of Several ENGT Courses

Sponsor: Nirajan Mani
Motion: Crystal Aneke  Second: Matthew Badagliacca

This proposal is to create a new course prefix of COMG for construction management courses.

Amendments:

- AUC Committee members discussed and recommended an amendment of changing the prefix from COMG to CMGT. This will help have less confusion with Communications Media courses.
- Section #5: Add AUC # and year next to courses listed in that section.

Vote: 9/0/0 (Unanimously approved with friendly amendments)

AUC #10 – New Course: Communication and Transportation Technologies

Sponsor: Keith Chenot
Motion: Charles Roberts  Second: Catherine Buell

This course goes over communication and transportation systems as they relate to the construction industry. This will be numbered as a 4000 level course. This course will be a requirement for Applied Science and Technology program majors and perquisites are ENGT 2030: Materials Testing & Quality Control; CMGT 3XXX Surveying; and CMGT 3XXX OSHA: Safety & Risk Management.

The course will be offered in spring semester.

Amendment:

- Section #14: Change the prefixes of COMG to CMGT.

Vote: 9/0/0 (Unanimously approved with friendly amendment)
AUC #11 – New Course: Construction Law and the Legal System

Sponsor: Keith Chenot
Motion: Matthew Badagliacca   Second: Joe Cautela

This course provides students with exposure to the impact of laws in the construction industry. It will be required for Applied Science and Technology program majors and will be a required core course for all program concentrations.

This is a high level course for concentration students but it is not offered outside the program. It is more applied to the Applied Science and Technology program.

Committee had a discussion on possible interests from Pre-Law and Political Science majors who may like to take this course. Sponsor stated that if students outside the program are interested in taking this they could get red carded into the course.

Vote: 9/0/0

AUC #14: Name Change to Police Concentration Program

Sponsor: Marcel Beausoleil
Motion: Joe Cautela  Second: Matthew Badagliacca

This proposal is to change the name of Police program from "Police Academy Certification Concentration" (to) "Police Program". The original name was approved back in 2015 (AUC #12, 2015).

We're requesting this name change because the original name can be misleading. In the police program the students receive their bachelor's degree in the 4th year and their 5th year they go to the police academy and upon their completion will receive their certificate of certification. In some cases, some students do not go onto the police academy and therefore will not receive their police academy certificates. That is why the current program name can be misleading because those who did not complete the 5th year, will not receive certification.

Committee members stated it may be an issue to make it retro-active but will be able to work for new students moving forward. Suggested amending that to Fall 2020.

Amendment:
- Section 6: The last sentence of that paragraph, change "FA19" (to) "Fall 2020". And strike the rest of the wording after "Fall 2020 students".

Vote: 9/0/0 (Unanimously approved with amendments)
OTHER BUSINESS

Approval of LAS Forms

The LAS Subcommittee stated they had a miscommunication on what their role was with these forms. They thought they would need to approve these forms, but in fact they were only asked to review the forms that were created. The LAS Subcommittee wanted to be included in the approval process of these forms. The suggestions that they requested were forwarded to the Curriculum Committee who forwarded to AUC with track changes so that committees could keep track of all changes/edits that were made.

In the future, any course with LAS designations will be sent to the Curriculum Committee then they will forward to LAS Subcommittee. The LAS Subcommittee will then forward their recommendations to the Curriculum Committee who will then forward back to AUC.

AUC Co-chair Michael Nosek stated he will be setting up a meeting to discuss the forms themselves. Will send out an email to AUC Committee to see about dates.

Motion to forward the Foundation Courses forms to the Curriculum Committee by Laura Bayless and seconded by Catherine Buell

Vote: 7/0/0

New Course Designation Form

There were friendly amendments from the LAS Subcommittee at both 12/12/19 and 1/14/20 meetings.

AUC committee discussed and went line-for-line through the LAS Subcommittee amendments and decided line-for-line which amendments would be accepted or denied and/or if they have additional amendments/edits of their own.

AUC Amendments:

- Section 5: Make question #5 into a two part question. Renumbering it 5a. and 5b.
- Section 5a.: Move question #15 up to question #5b.
- Section 11: Reword to say "Complete all sections that apply"
- Section 11: Swap 11A and 11B. So part "11A" moves down to part "11B" (and) "11B" moves up to "11A".
- Section 11: Create a part c of question #11 and move the "AIA and IHIP section" C section of question #11.
- Section 11b.: Change the word "curriculum" (to) "discipline".
- Section 11a.: The First Year Writing Requirement needs to be changed from "Writing II" (to) "Writing I".

Motion to reconsider the approval of the New Course Request Form with amendments by Charles Roberts and seconded by Laura Bayless

Vote: 7/0/0 (Unanimously approved with friendly amendments)
LAS Designation Form
Motion: Charles Roberts Second: Catherine Buell

The LAS Sub-Committee had friendly amendments from their 1/14/20 meeting. The AUC Committee discussed and went line-for-line through the LAS Subcommittee amendments and decided which amendments would be accepted or denied. The AUC Committee had additional amendments for the form, they’re listed below:

Amendments:

- Section 1: Put in that line, "if multiple departments add additional fields".
- Section 2: Change wording to say "if you’re only seeking AIA"
- Section 3: Take question mark '?' out.
- Section 4: AUC is not accepting the LAS Subcommittee's amendment to change this question. Leave it as is and will be making it into ABC sections.
- Section 5: Change the numbering in the table.
- Section 5: Change wording after (if you checked "yes") to say "please address the following:"
- Section 6: Change the "is" (to) "are" at the beginning of sentence.

Motion to table this discussion until the next AUC meeting by Crystal Aneke and seconded by Joseph Wachtel

Vote: 7/0/0

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

NECHE Accreditation Process and Timeline

AUC Co-Chair Dr. Michael Nosek handed out the President Lapidus’ letter that was addressed to AUC Committee Chairs in regards to an FYI and timeline of the NECHE 2022 visit and university accreditation.

Dr. Cathy Canney will be the liaison for Fitchburg State University and will be communicating with NECHE. This letter is just informational and outlines the process and timelines of the accreditation process that will be taking place at Fitchburg State University.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Joseph Wachtel Second: Gerald Higdon

Meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm

Vote: 7/0/0