Undergraduate Council (UGC)

Agenda
Monday, February 27, 2023
1:30pm – 2:55pm

Zoom Information:
https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/84321307161
Meeting ID: 843 2130 7161
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I. **Consent Calendar – 1:30pm – 1:35pm**
  A. The Agenda
  B. February 13 Meeting Minutes

II. **Chair's Report – 1:35pm – 1:45pm**
  A. February 13 UCDC Meeting

III. **VPDUE Frey's Report – 1:45pm – 1:50pm**

IV. **UGC Awards Subcommittees– 1:50pm – 2:00pm**
  A. Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for Non-Senate Faculty
  Selection Process: The Undergraduate Council (UGC) will form an ad-hoc committee from its membership to serve as the UGC Awards Committee with a minimum of three members.
  Membership will include:
- At least one UGC Senate faculty who will also serve as Chair of the Awards Committee
- A UGC ex-officio member (VPDUE Frey or VCSA Nies)
- A Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning representative (UGC Analyst will contact a member of CETL)

  B. Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for Senate Faculty
  Selection Process: The Undergraduate Council (UGC) will form an ad-hoc committee from its membership to serve as the UGC Awards Committee with a minimum of three Senate faculty. Membership will include:
- Three Senate faculty (one from each School)
- A UGC ex-officio member (VPDUE Frey or VCSA Nies)
- Unit 18 Lecturer (UGC Analyst will contact a Unit 18 Lecturer)

  Requested Action: Establish a subcommittee for each of the Undergraduate Senate Awards. The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 24, 2023, and the winners of all Senate

awards will be announced at the Spring Meeting of the Division (date TBD). The deadline for the subcommittees to provide their recommendation will be determined once the Spring Meeting of the Division date is finalized.

V. **Campus Review Items – All - 2:00pm – 2:10pm**
A. B.S. in Public Health
The proposal was distributed to the Chairs of Senate Committees, the SNS Executive Committee, and the SoE Executive Committee. The policy governing the review and approval of Undergraduate Degree Programs is available here.

AFAC, CAPRA, UGC, and SNS and SoE Executive Committees are lead reviewers.

Requested Action: Identify a lead reviewer. All Senate and School Executive Committee comments are due to the Senate Chair by Tuesday, April 4, 2023, and will be shared with the lead reviewer. Lead reviewer will review all associated comments and send their assessment to UGC Analyst by Monday, April 17, 2023. All comments and lead reviewer's assessment will be discussed at the April 24 UGC meeting.

B. SSHA Cognitive & Information Sciences Honors Program
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C. B.A. and Minor in Environmental Humanities
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    D. [SNS B.S. and Minor in Data Science and Computing](#)
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        AFAC, CAPRA, UGC, and SoE and SSHA Executive Committees are lead reviewers.

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VI.   **Summer Online – Ryan Baxter, Heather Bortfeld, Alejandro Gutierrez, and Holley Moyes – 2:10pm – 2:30pm**
        On February 13, 2023, members discussed Chair Moyes' draft plan for distance education in Summer session. Following the meeting, members recommended revisions to the draft plan via Box Share. The updated draft plan is available [here](#).

        Requested Action: Members to engage in further discussion of the draft plan and members' recommended edits.

VII.   **Approval of Courses – Ryan Baxter, Felicia Lopez, Alexander Petersen – 2:30pm – 2:55pm**
        Courses are available at the links below.

        Extension courses (effective term Fall 2023) - Interim Director of Extension Michael Pierick and Associate Dean of Extension Fanis Tsoulouhas:
        The following courses were previously reviewed at the [May 13, 2022 UGC meeting](#). Following the meeting, UGC transmitted a [memo](#) to University Extension requesting several revisions. The courses have been revised and are pending UGC's review and approval again. Today, Interim Director Pierick and Associate Dean Tsoulouhas are joining the meeting to further discuss the courses and answer any questions from the membership.

       1. [BUS - X002 - Introduction to Esports Organizations](#)
       2. [BUS - X005 - Culture and Communications in Esports](#)
       3. [BUS - X010 - Esports Marketing](#)
       4. [BUS - X011 - Esports Project Management and Operations](#)

        Courses tabled from the February 13 UGC meeting:

       1. [CCST - 014 - Introduction to Nahuatl Literature, Language and Culture](#) (cross-listed; Fall 2023)

2. [ENG - 089 - Introduction to Nahuatl Literature, Language and Culture](#) (cross-listed; Fall 2023)
3. [SPAN - 014 - Introduction to Nahuatl Literature, Language and Culture](#) (cross-listed; Fall 2023)

Other courses (effective term Spring 2024):

1. [AE - 173 - Aerospace Propulsion](#)
2. [CSE - 108 - Full Stack Web Development](#)
3. [CSE - 141 - Introduction to Compiler Construction](#)
4. [EE - 060 - Boolean Algebra and Digital Circuits](#)
5. [MSE - 152 - Materials Processing & Performance II: Materials Selection](#)
6. [PHYS - 003 - The Solar System and the Search For Life Beyond Earth](#)
7. [PSY - 154 - Social Cognition](#)

Requested Action: UGC members discuss the Courses' subcommittee recommendations and vote.

VIII.   New Business – All – 2:50pm – 2:55pm

IX.   Executive Session – Voting Members Only – 2:55pm – 3:00pm