

Undergraduate Council (UGC)**REVISED AGENDA****Tuesday, April 30, 2024****1:00pm – 2:30pm****Zoom Information:**<https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/84154985472>**Meeting ID:** 841 5498 5472**One tap mobile:** +16694449171,,84154985472# US**I. Consent Calendar – 1:00pm – 1:05pm**

- A. The Agenda
- B. [April 16 Meeting Minutes](#)

Requested Action: Approval of the Consent Calendar.**II. Chair’s Report – Christopher Viney – 1:05pm – 1:10pm**

- A. April 29 DivCo Meeting

III. UCOPE April 18 Update – Felicia Lopez – 1:10pm – 1:20pmData on the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) across the UC is available [here](#).**IV. Interim VPDUE Utter’s Report - 1:20pm – 1:25pm**

- A. [Senate Regulation II.2B \(Dropping a Course\)](#) - Part-of-term Courses

V. Approval of Courses¹ – CRF Subcommittee Members Elaine Denny, Bin Liu, Felicia Lopez, Alexander Petersen, and Greg Wright – 1:25pm – 1:35pm

Courses are available at the links below.

Approve via Consent Calendar:

1. [CHN - XM001 - Elementary Chinese I](#) (new; Fall 2024)
2. [CHN - XM002 - Elementary Chinese II](#) (new; Fall 2024)
3. [ME - 142 - Mechatronics](#) (modify existing; Spring 2025)

Requested Action: Members discuss and approve courses based on the CRF Subcommittee’s recommendations. Members also discuss the form for [Online or Blended Course Approval Requests: Supplemental Questions](#) with a plan to produce an updated

¹ **RECUSALS:**

Alejandro Gutierrez - ME

version over summer that better captures the information needed for UGC to accurately assess course proposals with online and hybrid modalities.

VI. Discussion: Extension Course Proposal Review - Dean of University Extension Annette Roberts Webb, Director of University Extension Michael Pierick, and Associate Dean of University Extension Fanis Tsoulouhas – 1:35pm – 1:50pm

Requested Action: Members discuss with Extension staff the review of Extension course proposals, specifically how they are similar/different from standard courses that UGC reviews (online modality aspects, and whether or not they should be held to the same account as standard courses).

VII. Campus and Systemwide Review Items – All – 1:50pm – 2:05pm

A. [SSHA Proposal for a Communication and Media B.A. Degree Program](#)

The policy governing the review and approval of Undergraduate Degree Programs is available [here](#).

Lead Reviewer: Christopher Viney

Lead reviewer's draft memo and Senate Committees' comments will be shared with UGC voting members.

Requested Action: Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment. Voting Members vote in executive session to approve the proposal if there is consensus.

B. [Proposal to Change the Name of the Materials Science & Engineering Department to Chemical & Materials Engineering²](#)

The policy governing the establishment or revision of academic units is available [here](#).

Lead Reviewer: Alejandro Gutierrez

Lead reviewer's draft memo and Senate Committees' comments have been shared with UGC voting members.

Requested Action: Members discuss the proposal and lead reviewer's assessment. Voting Members vote in executive session to approve the proposal if there is consensus.

VIII. Any Other Business – 2:05pm – 2:10pm

IX. Executive Session – Voting Members Only – 2:10pm – 2:30pm

² RECUSALS: Christopher Viney, Valerie Leppert