

Undergraduate Council (UGC)

UGC Agenda
Tuesday, November 5, 2019
3:30pm – 4:55pm

SSB 238

- I. Consultation with GEEC Chair Leppert – 10 min**
Chair Leppert will join remotely
- II. Chair’s Report – Jay Sharping – 5 min**
A. [DivCo Updates](#)
- III. Consent Calendar – 10 min**
A. Today’s Agenda
B. SSHA Petitions to Appoint Graduate Students as IOR for Upper Division Undergraduate Courses
i. [Ae sil Woo](#), POLI 190, How to be a Dictator, Spring 2020.
ii. [Alexandria Pabst](#), COGS 171, Memory and Cognition, Summer 2020.
iii. [Ayme Tomson](#), COGS 180, Natural Language Processing, Summer 2020.
iv. [Jackie Shay](#), BIO 120, Microbiology, Fall 2019 and Spring 2020. (If approved, the Graduate Group Chair will be notified of the need to approve appointments in advance of the semester of appointment.)
[Correspondence between GC and BIO](#)
- IV. Campus and Systemwide Updates – 15 min**
A. Work Group for Support Services for Undocumented Students, October 29 Meeting – Jesus Sandoval-Hernandez
B. [UCIE, October 18 Meeting](#) – Michelle Leslie
C. [UCOPE, October 30 Meeting](#) – Jesus Sandoval-Hernandez
D. [UCEP, November 4 Meeting](#) – Jay Sharping
- V. [Update on Assembly Bill 2248](#) – 5 min**
Registrar Webb
The Registrar and the VCSA gave a presentation on Assembly Bill 2248 in April, 2019. The Bill requires the University to notify students that, in order to graduate in 4 years, the students must take 15 units per semester or 30 units per academic year. Students must be notified at three specific times: orientation prior to enrollment, at the start of each academic year, and each semester (if the student is not enrolled in 15 units). The full legislation is available here:
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2248.

VI. Approval of Courses - 10 min

CRFs are listed below and are also available on the Curriculog Agenda:

<https://ucmerced.curriculog.com/agenda:108/form>

- 1) [CRES 052- Power in Film](#)
- 2) [CRES 152- Twentieth Century Latin American Revolutions](#)
- 3) [GASP 064B- Power in Film](#)
- 4) [HIST 052- Power in Film](#)
- 5) [HIST 152- Twentieth Century Latin American Revolutions](#)
- 6) [MIST 132- Geographic Information Systems Analysis in Management](#)

Actions: UGC members discuss the CRF subcommittee's recommendations and vote on courses.

VII. Campus Review Items**A. [GE Badge Descriptions](#) – 5 min**

David Kaminsky drafted [some comments](#) which we will transmit to GEEC for their information.

B. [Civil Engineering B.S. Proposal](#) – 10 min

Professors Hestir, Peterson (CEE Chair), and Ghassemi attended the October 15 UGC meeting to introduce the proposal.

At today's meeting, members will continue discussion of the proposal.

UGC will make a recommendation on the proposal at its November 19 meeting.

C. Review of [Proposed Revisions to Regents' Scholars Selection Criteria](#) – Director of Financial Aid Rodney – 5 min

The current criteria were approved by UGC several years ago. Following discussions among staff in the Admissions and Financial Aid Offices, it was agreed that the criteria and scoring rubric needed to be revised as they are not applicable to both freshman and transfer students, and the criteria is outdated. Generally, the goal of the proposal attempts to:

- Better align the selection criteria with the latest research on predictive modeling of persistence in order to increase the campus retention/graduation rates;
- Eliminate outdated criteria;
- Develop separate rubrics for Freshman and Transfer students;
- Add criteria to better align the rubric with the university's strategic mission.

The revisions proposed by Director Rodney were approved by members of the Admissions and Financial Aid Subcommittee on September 25, 2019.

Action: UGC members approve the proposed revisions.

- D. [Proposal for the Admissions and Financial Aid Subcommittee as a Stand-Alone Senate Committee](#) –
Chair Sharping – **5 min**
Actions:
- Chair Sharping introduces a draft of the proposal
 - Assign Reviewers

VIII. Vice Chair’s Report – Matt Hibbing – 5 min

- A. [AFAS Meeting](#) (October 28, 2019)
B. [BOARS Meeting](#) (November 1, 2019)

IX. Executive Session – Voting Members