

University of North Texas at Dallas

Academic Council Agenda

May 28, 2024

Electronic Vote

Voting Members

Dr. Mario Casa de Calvo, *Interim Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences*

Dr. Richard Chandler, *Faculty Senate Vice President*

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Dr. Constance Lacy, *Dean, School of Human Services*

Dr. Christine Remley, *Dean, School of Education*

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Dr. Ali Shaqlaih, *Dean, Graduate School*

Veronica Viesca, *Director, Academic Advising*

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Dr. Sara Baber, *Director of Distance Learning*

Dr. Kimberly Chandler, *Associate Vice President, Strategy and Effectiveness*

Luis Franco, *Executive Director of Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment, and AVP for Enrollment Mgmt*

Garrick Hildebrand, *Director of Financial Aid*

Jamie Lee, *University Registrar*

Dr. Dawn Sales, *Assistant Provost*

Dr. Betty H. Stewart, *Provost, and EVP for Academic Affairs*

Jill da Silva, *Staff Council Representative*

Other Invitees

Matthew Babcock, *Associate Professor, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences*

Crista Banks, *Assistant Professor, School of Education*

Sara Holmes, *Lecturer, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences*

Julie Southward, *Assistant Professor, School of Education*

Mujtaba Zia, *Associate Professor, School of Business*

I. New Business

A. Approval of minutes – April 30, 2024

B. Program Change Requests (*School of Education*)

Special Education EC-12

Change effective: AY 2024-25

Change: Required Courses

Additional Information: The course numbers and names originally entered were incorrect.

Change in Required Courses:

Change EDUC 4340 Classroom Management to EDUC 4345 Classroom Management.

Change EDEC 3320 ECED Curriculum to EDEC 4243 Environmental Process/Assessment.

BS Education, EC-6 with English as a Second Language (ESL)

Change effective: AY 2024-25

Change: Required Courses

Additional Information: The course number and name originally entered was incorrect.

Change in Required Courses:

Change EDRE 4861 Integrated Language Arts and Social Studies Methods: Grades K-8 to EDUC

4310 Integrated Language Arts Methods: Grades K-8.

BS Education, EC-6 with Bilingual Education

Change effective: AY 2024-25

Change: Required Courses

Additional Information: The BIL proposal didn't get submitted to dynamic forms because it is no longer accessible. The course number and name originally entered was incorrect.

Change in Required Courses:

Change EDBE 4370 Teaching Spanish Literacy to EDBE 3345 Teaching Literacy in Spanish.

C. New Course Request (*School of Liberal Arts and Sciences*)

HIST 3370 (Civil Rights and Social Justice)

Effective: AY 2024-25

Department: History

Credit Hours: 3

Prerequisite: HIST 2610 and HIST 2620

All proposed changes are marked as such:
New items are emboldened and underlined
Deleted items are marked with a strikethrough line
Justifications or clarifications are italicized.

Additional Information: This course is currently being offered as a HIST special topics course in Spring 2024. A different version of the course, PSCI 3340 (Rights, Opportunities, & Social Justice) was offered in PSCI for many years. The course will serve as an upper-level elective in the HIST B.A. program, as it is doing currently, and has the same prerequisites, HIST 2610 and HIST 2620, as other upper-level HIST electives. These courses are necessary preparation because students need a general knowledge of U.S. History and an ability to think critically and write analytically in order to be successful in the course. Students will improve their Critical Thinking (CT) skills by analyzing primary and secondary sources and interpreting their significance in American history. They will enhance their Written and Oral Communication (COM) skills through writing response papers, a book review, and participating in class discussions. They will develop an understanding of the rationale for modern Social Responsibility (SR) through the analysis of historical ideas and concepts and social and religious movements in American history. Finally, they will utilize these previous methods to improve their own Personal Responsibility (PR) or decision-making skills in today's world.

Course Description: This course examines the civil rights and social justice movements in American history. The course centers the civil rights movement in the broader movements for social justice in American history and also analyzes social movements in Dallas.

D. Course Change Requests (School of Liberal Arts and Sciences)

COMM 2310 (Introduction to Strategic Communication)

Change Effective: AY 24-25

Change: Prerequisites

Additional information: There is enough content overlap between COMM 1010 - Introduction to Communication and COMM 2300 - Fundamentals of Public Speaking to accept either course for the prerequisite for COMM 2310 - Introduction to Strategic Communication. Currently, we are making this exception through the Registration Changes form. This course request change will eliminate the need for students to request the prerequisite override from the department.

Current Prerequisite: COMM 1010 with a grade of C or better.

Proposed Prerequisites: COMM 1010 or COMM 2300 with a grade of C or better.

COMM 2311 (Introduction to Social Media)

Change Effective: AY 24-25

Change: Prerequisites

Additional information: There is enough content overlap between COMM 1010 - Introduction to Communication and COMM 2300 - Fundamentals of Public Speaking to accept either course for the prerequisite for COMM 2311 - Introduction to Social Media. Currently, we are making this exception through the Registration Changes form. This course request change will eliminate the need for students to request the prerequisite override from the department.

Current Prerequisite: COMM 1010 with a grade of C or better.

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Proposed Prerequisites: COMM 1010 or COMM 2300 with a grade of C or better.

E. New Course Request (*School of Business*)

FINA 2770 (Personal Finance)

Effective: AY 2024-25

Department: Finance

Credit Hours: 3

Additional Information: This course covers the fundamentals of personal finance and general financial literacy. It serves the UNTD mission of social mobility through financial literacy. The course contributes to the academic programs on campus as a general elective. The course is general in nature and no prerequisites other than basic mathematical calculations are needed for this course.

Course Description: This course is an introduction to financial literacy, providing a basic survey of managing personal and family finances, including budgeting, savings, personal credit, investments, homeownership, insurance, retirement planning, and financing of auto and personal loans.

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