

MINUTES
2025-2026 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
February 20, 2026
Zoom, 1:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Richard Tarpey (COB), chair; Elizabeth Whalen (CBHS), co-chair; Paul Kline (CBAS), Richard Lewis (CME), Theresa McBreen (CLA), Richard Meeks (CBHS), Jade Treadwell (CLA), Donglin Wang (CBAS), Jeremy Winters (COE)

Committee Members Absent

Student Representative Tara Taha (NOTE: Jorge Avila graduated in December 2025.) Brielle Campos (UC), Heather Dillard (COE), Ricky Ferguson (COB)

Ex-Officio Members Present

Teresa Thomas, Tyler Henson, Mitzi Brandon, and Karen Dearing

Ex-Officio Members Absent

Amy Aldridge, Christina Cobb, and Rachel Kirk

Approval of Minutes from January 23, 2026

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the January 23, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

Guests Present

Paula Calahan, Cindy Johnson, Tongia Key, Michelle Conceison, Carmelita Dotson, Mark Abolins, Tom Neff

Consent Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Regular Agenda

Proposal	Effective Date	Proposed Action	Detailed Explanation	Reference #
Borchetta College of Media and Entertainment				
Journalism and Strategic Media				
Interactive Media, B.S.	Summer 2027	Change to curriculum of existing major (including concentrations), minor, or certificate	Remove IAM 3070 and IAM 3250; add JOUR 3070, JOUR 3560, and VCOM 3920 to the Major Guided electives. Remove JOUR 3560 and VCOM 3920 from list of Approved Major General Electives.	4
Discussion: A department representative was available to answer questions.				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				
Interactive Media Minor	Summer 2027	Change to curriculum of existing major (including concentrations), minor, or certificate Change to admission, retention, progression, or graduation policy	Remove from minor electives: IAM 3070, IAM 3250 Add to minor electives IAM 4800, IAM 4950, JOUR 3070, JOUR 3560, VCOM 3920 Requires a minimum GPA of 2.0 in all minor courses. NOTE: Addition of new course electives can be retroactive; deletions of IAM 3070 and 3250 cannot be retroactive.	3
College of Basic and Applied Sciences				
Geosciences				
ENVS - 4500 - Applications of Environmental Science	Summer 2026	New course	Prerequisites: None. Environmental problems and solutions with an emphasis on problems encountered in the Southeastern U.S. Topics include stormwater management, sinkhole flooding, karst subsidence, groundwater exploration, water well maintenance, landslides, and earthquake-resistant design. Five hours of combined lecture/laboratory per week. A weekend field trip is required.	10
Discussion: A department representative was available to answer questions.				
Committee Action: A motion was made to approve the proposal. The motion was seconded and approved.				

Good of the Order

The next meeting of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee will be Friday, March 20, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. in JUB 100.

Proposals are due Wednesday, March 11, 2026, in order to be considered by the committee for approval.

Adjournment

Consent Agenda 2025-26 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee February 20, 2026

All items effective Summer 2027 (unless otherwise noted)
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