

## Faculty Senate President's Report

### February 23, 2021

### 1. Curriculum Approvals

P10563	Public and Nonprofit Management Certificate (Certificate)	NewCertificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10593	Chemistry, B.S. - Environmental Chemistry Concentration (Concentration)	Drop Concentration	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10615	Natural Science, B.S. (Major - BS)	Drop Major	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10658	Operational Leadership Certificate (Certificate)	Drop Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10700	Environmental Chemistry Minor (Minor)	Drop Minor	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10757	Special Education & Rehabilitation Counseling Minor (Minor)	Drop Minor	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10847	Elementary certificate in French (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10848	Intermediate Certificate in French (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P8363	Elementary Certificate in Spanish (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P8521	Elementary Certificate in German (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P8525	Intermediate Certificate in German (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P9000	Intermediate Certificate in Spanish (Certificate)	New Certificate	Approved by FS on 2/9
P10019	Organizational Leadership M.A. (Major)	Modify	Approved
P10490	Special Education M.S. Ed (Major)	Modify	Approved
P10491	Special Education I Endorsement (Major)	Modify	Approved

P10492	Special Education II License (Major)	Modify	Approved
P10659	Organizational Leadership Certificate (Certificate)	Modify	Approved
P10665	Executive Leadership Certificate (Certificate)	Modify	Approved
P13660	Interpreting Studies: Educational Interpreting Certificate (Certificate)	Modify	Approved
P13661	Interpreting Studies: Professional Practice Certificate (Certificate)	Modify	Approved
P13893	Reading Endorsement (Non-Degree)	Modify	Approved
P13894	Reading Specialist Certificate (Certificate)	Modify	Approved
BULK 10318	CSE (Drop)	Drop	Approved
C10375	CSE 624 Internet for Educators New: Open Educational Resources	Modify	Approved
C10493	SPED 635 Neurodiversity: Teaching Learners with Specific Neurological Conditions	Drop	Approved
BULK10670	OL (number)	Drop	Approved
C10699	OL 621 Financial Management	New	Approved
C10715	OL 507 Seminar	New	Approved
C10720	OL 636 Research for Marketing Decisions	New	Approved
C10721	OL 606 Special Individual Studies	New	Approved
C10871	COM 380 Environmental Communication	Add to GE	Approved
C13602	SPED 607 Seminar	Modify	Approved
C13615	ES 550 Introduction to Petrology New: Petrology	Modify	Approved
C13625	ES 554 Volcanology	Modify	Approved
C13671	A 120 Foundations of Digital Art & Design	Modify	Approved

	New: Beginning Digital Art & Design		
BULK13683	IS CS (drop)	Drop	Approved
C13689	ES 340 Principles of Cartography New: Geospatial Techniques	Modify	Approved
C13690	ES 544 Remote Sensing	Drop	Approved
C13692	ES 592 Advanced GIS Applications in Earth Science	Modify	Approved
C13741	ED 668 Assessment & Reading Instruction	Modify	Approved
C13744	PS 193 Introduction to Model United Nations	Modify	Approved
C13748	HST 497 Islam in Africa New: History of Fascism	Modify	Approved
C13754	WR 630 Professional Writing and Research	New	Approved
C13758	WR 121 College Writing I	Modify	Approved
C13769	OL 690 Leadership Action Project	New	Approved
C13814	HST 434 Mediterranean Worlds	Modify	Approved
C13883	CA 101H Honors: Correlated Study of the Arts I	Drop	Approved
C13884	CA 102H Honors: Correlated Study of the Arts II	Drop	Approved
C13885	CA 103H Honors: Correlated Study of the Arts III	Drop	Approved
C13887	GS 201H Honors: Nat Sci: Search for Order I	Drop	Approved
C13888	GS2 202H Honors: Nat Sci: Search for Order II	Drop	Approved
C13889	GS 203H Honors: Nat Sci: Search for Order III	Drop	Approved

## 2. Shared Governance Summit

Our first Shared Governance Summit was a success with around 70 participants. Thank you to Dr. Sue Monahan and Michael Smith for their presentations, and my

Shared Governance colleagues, NJ and Jenna and President Fuller, for their help with this event. We're looking forward to the next one.

Materials for this event can be found here:

<https://wou.edu/president/shared-governance/>

*Have ideas about future topics for these shared governance summits? Great! Please email me at [fspresident@wou.edu](mailto:fspresident@wou.edu); we will privilege topics that have intersectional value to our campus groups (students, faculty, and staff).*

### **3. Proposal to Modify/Merge Program Outcomes and Learning Outcomes**

Camila Gabaldón has once again come up with a way to make our lives easier. The current system for submitting and updating program outcomes and major/minor/certificate learning outcomes is not currently working. For most of us, there is not a clear distinction between program outcomes and learning outcomes, and there have been several situations where individuals have submitted updates, thinking that they are updating the program outcomes when they mean to update the learning outcomes and vice-versa.

Camilia is proposing:

- To gather data about what is listed for each type of outcome.
- When there are discrepancies, she will work with departments to reconcile which versions are the correct ones and update the entries for each.
- When the discrepancies are reconciled, she update the outcomes for the Program Outcomes page and work with the Registrar's office to make sure the catalog is correct
- She will update the curriculum system as follows:
  - Eliminate the separate path for updating Program Outcomes only
  - Move the current table structure for updating Program Outcomes to the path for updating programs and rename it to "Program Learning Outcomes". This entry format provides parseable data that can be repurposed for the program outcomes page, course goal alignments, and the catalog.
  - Create a field that automatically formats the data in the table of Program Learning Outcomes into a textual format that can be copied and pasted into the catalog, for use by the Registrar's Office.

If you have questions or feedback about this change, please contact Camilia.

## 4. Get Ready for Nominations!

March is the beginning of our season of nominations for open Faculty Senate leadership positions. Our Past President, Kristin Latham-Scott, will be requesting volunteers for the nominating committee in **our first March meeting**. Senators: Please start thinking about whether you would like to serve on this (very short-term) committee.

## 5. Assessment Survey Coming Soon

FSEC has been working with Dr. Mike Baltzley to discuss ongoing issues with assessment. FSEC has decided to conduct an anonymous survey that will be sent to department chairs and program coordinators at the beginning of Spring term. The data will be reviewed by FSEC only, and we will issue a report to Dr. Baltzley with recommendations about the support, resources, time, and feedback faculty have about our current assessment practices. Our hope is that consulting faculty will lead to improvements in our assessment processes.

## 6. Search for an Interim President

As you may have seen in the email from Betty Komp, the BOT is moving forward with a search for an interim president. The search committee will have two seats for faculty members. I have been asked to gather possible candidates for these seats. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please let me know ASAP. ***I must forward all nominations by March 1, so I would prefer to receive them no later than Friday, February 26.***

It is important to note that there will be significant activity in March and anyone that serves will need to have a relatively flexible schedule to accommodate meetings throughout March and, perhaps April. Further, anyone on the advisory committee will be required to sign statements regarding confidentiality and conflict of interest.

Please send nominations to [fspresident@wou.edu](mailto:fspresident@wou.edu) with a brief sentence or two about how you would represent faculty in this important service role! Additional information can also be found here: [www.wou.edu/presidentialvacancy](http://www.wou.edu/presidentialvacancy)