

**MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND POLICIES**  
**February 12, 2018**  
**230 Student Services Building, 3:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** D. Stauffer; K. Albright; D. Clubb; M. Davenport; V. Fowler; M. Hajj; T. Hammett; R. Holloway; K. Hosig; M. Kasarda; L. Khansa; A. Knoblauch; C. Leeth; R. Panneton for S. Morton; K. Redican; J. Sible; P. Ziegler for S. Sumner; S. Tatum; D. Thorp; R. Wagoner for B. Watford; L. Zietsman; A. Zink-Sharp

**ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION:** S. Metko

**ABSENT WITHOUT NOTIFICATION:** J. Billingsley; G. Daniel; G. Jenkins; A. Roche; S. Ulrich; R. Willis

**VISITORS:** N. Akers; M. Coulter; R. Pillai; J. Orr

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by D. Stauffer.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPROVAL AND POSTING OF MINUTES**

D. Stauffer announced the December 11, 2017 minutes were electronically approved and can be accessed via the University Registrar's website:  
[https://registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar\\_vt\\_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2017-2018/dec11/MINUTES-CUSP-Dec-11-17.pdf](https://registrar.vt.edu/content/dam/registrar_vt_edu/documents/Updates/governance/2017-2018/dec11/MINUTES-CUSP-Dec-11-17.pdf)

**REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES/SUB -COMMITTEES**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Academic Support Committee**

No Report.

**Academic Policies Committee**

No Report.

**Athletics Committee**

On behalf of S. Sumner, P. Ziegler presented the minutes of the December 6, 2017 meeting of the University Athletics Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the December 6, 2017 meeting of the University Athletics Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**Commencement Committee**

No Report.

**Honor Council**

No Report.

**Library Committee**

No Report.

**Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**

M. Kasarda presented the report of the January 26, 2018 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report of the January 26, 2018 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

<p><b><u>UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT—JANUARY 26, 2018</u></b>  <b>FOR “FIRST AND SECOND READING”</b>  <b>UNANIMOUS APPROVAL</b></p>	
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>COURSES</b></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>New:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>Summer I 2018</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;"><b>College of Engineering</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 120px;">ECE 3214 Semiconductor Device Fundamentals (CM-3864)</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;"><b>Pamplin College of Business</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 120px;">MGT 3804 Topics for Cadet Global Leadership Studies (CM-3877)</p>	<b>COURSES</b>
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**Fall 2018**

**College of Engineering**

AOE 3154 Astromechanics (CM-3650)

ECE 3714 Introduction to Control Systems (CM-3934)

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

PHIL 4014 Special Topics in Philosophy (CM-3918)

PSCI 3044 (IS 3044) The Politics of Internet Governance (CM-3957)

PSCI 4074 (IS 4074) The Politics of Cybersecurity (CM-3958)

**College of Natural Resources and Environment**

GEOG 4514 Tropical Meteorology (CM-3887)

**Pamplin College of Business**

ACIS 4654 Accounting Analytics (CM-3902)

**Spring 2019**

**Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine**

PHS 4014 Public Health Program Planning and Evaluation (CM-3908)

**Revised:**

**Fall 2018**

**College of Engineering**

ECE 3105 – 3106 Electromagnetic Fields (CM-3865)

ECE 4134 Photonics (CM-3919)

**Discontinue:**

**Summer I 2018**

**College of Engineering**

ECE 4214 Semiconductor Device Fundamentals (CM-3864)

**Fall 2018**

**College of Engineering**

AOE 4134 Astromechanics (CM-3650)

ECE 4405 – 4406 Control Systems (CM-3934)

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

PHIL 4015, 4016 Special Topics in Philosophy (CM-3918)

**DEGREES, MAJORS, OPTIONS, MINORS**

**Option:**

**New:**

**Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2020**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

Establishment of New Option: Humanities for Public Service (HPS) under Degree: Bachelor of Arts (BA), Major: Religion and Culture (RLCL), effective for students graduating in calendar year 2020; first effective date to declare option: Spring 2018; first effective date to graduate: Winter 2020 (CM-3713)

Checksheet: Degree: Bachelor of Arts (BA), Major: Religion and Culture (RLCL); Option: Humanities for Public Service (HPS); effective for students graduating in calendar year 2020 (CM-3713)

## University Curriculum Committee for General Education

L. Zietsman presented the minutes of the December 6, 2017 meeting of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the December 6, 2017 meeting of the University Curriculum Committee for General Education.

D. Stauffer reminded the commission that there is a lot of good and helpful information provided in these minutes.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

L. Zietsman presented the report of the December 13, 2017 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report of the December 13, 2017 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

L. Zietsman presented the report of the January 24, 2018 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report of the January 24, 2018 Pathways Ad Hoc Review Committee.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

### **PATHWAYS AD HOC REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT—DECEMBER 13, 2017**

**For “First and Second Reading”**

**Unanimous Approval**

#### **COURSES**

**New:**

**CLE Spring 2018/Pathways Fall 2018**

#### **College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

ALCE 2414: Identity and Inclusion in Agriculture and Life Sciences (CLE Area 2, Pathways Advanced/Applied Discourse GE01, Critical Analysis of Equity and Identity in the United States GE07, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3692)

### **College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

SPIA 2104: Urban Analytics for Decision-Making (CLE Area 5, Pathways Advanced/Applied Quantitative and Computational Thinking GE05, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3834)

SPIA 2554: Collaborative Policy-Making and Planning (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences GE03, Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States GE07, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3814)

SPIA 4464: Data and the Art of Policy-Making and Planning (CLE Area 5, Pathways Advanced/Applied Quantitative and Computational Thinking GE05, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3817)

### **College of Science**

GEOS 1054: Age of Dinosaurs (CLE Areas 4 and 7, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences GE04, Intercultural and Global Awareness GE11) (CM 3875)

## **Revised:**

### **CLE Spring 2018/Pathways Fall 2018**

### **College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

HORT 2184: Plants, Places, and Cultures in a Global Context (CLE Area 7, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences GE03, Intercultural and Global Awareness GE11) (CM 3067)

### **College of Architecture and Urban Studies**

ART 3064: Arts of China and Japan (CLE Areas 2 and 6, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities GE02, Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts GE06, Intercultural and Global Awareness GE11) (CM 3857)

### **College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

PSCI 2064 (IS 2064) (GEOG 2064): The Global Economy and World Politics (CLE Areas 3 and 7, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences GE03, Intercultural and Global Awareness GE11) (CM 3744)

### **College of Natural Resources and the Environment**

FREC 2004: Forest Ecosystems (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences GE04, Intercultural and Global Awareness GE11) (CM 3872)

**College of Science**

GEOS 1034: Earth's Natural Hazards (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences GE04, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3874)

**Pathways Fall 2018**

**College of Agriculture and Life Sciences**

APSC 4004: Contemporary Issues in the Animal Sciences (Pathways Advanced/Applied Discourse GE01, Ethical Reasoning GE10) (CM 3846)

**PATHWAYS AD HOC REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT—JANUARY 24, 2018**

**For “First and Second Reading”**

**Unanimous Approval**

**COURSES**

**New:**

**CLE Fall 2018/Pathways Fall 2018**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

ARBC 3474: Topics in Arab Cinema (CLE Areas 2 and 7, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3942)

**College of Natural Resources and the Environment**

GEOG 2244 (SPIA 2244): Sustainable Urbanization (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3889)

**College of Science**

BIOL 1014: Introduction to Biology (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences G04, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 3878)

BIOL 1054: Human Biology: Concepts and Current Issues (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences G04, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 3885)

**Revised:**

**CLE Fall 2018/Pathways Fall 2018**

**College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

AFST 1714: Introduction to African American Studies (CLE Area 2, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Critical Analysis of Equity and Identity in the United States G07, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3941)

HUM 2204: The Creative Process (CLE Area 6, Pathways Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts G06a/G06d, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3943)

RUS 2734: Introduction to Russian Culture and Civilization (CLE Area 2, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3945)

RUS 3424 (ENGL 3424): Topics in Russian Literature in English (CLE Area 2, Pathways Critical Thinking in the Humanities G02, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3946)

**College of Science**

PSYC 1004: Introductory Psychology (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3697)

PSYC 2034: Developmental Psychology (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Intercultural and Global Awareness G11) (CM 3698)

PSYC 2044: Psychology of Learning (CLE Area 3, Pathways Reasoning in the Social Sciences G03, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 3738)

GEOS 1014: Evolution of the Earth-Life System (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences G04, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 3886)

NEUR 2464: Neuroscience and Society (CLE Area 4, Pathways Reasoning in the Natural Sciences G04, Ethical Reasoning G10) (CM 3936)

**Discontinued:**

**Effective Fall 2018**

**College of Science**

NEUR 3464: Neuroscience and Society (CM 3936)

**MINORS**

**Rename:**

**Effective Graduating Calendar Year 2019**

**College of Science**

Rename Minor to: Science, Technology, and Law; First term to declare: Fall 2018; First term and year to graduate: Winter 2019 (CM 3251)

With approval of renamed Minor: Science, Technology, and Law (STL), discontinue Minor name: Science, Engineering, and Law (SELW); Last term and year to graduate: Fall 2018 (CM 3251)

**CONSTITUENT REPORTS**

**Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs**

No report.

**Staff Senate**

No report.

**Faculty Senate**

No report.

**Student Government Association**

No report.

## **Graduate Student Assembly**

No report.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Pamplin College of Business Request for Posthumous Degree**

L. Khansa, Associate Dean of the Pamplin College of Business, moved approval of the posthumous awarding of the degree *Bachelor of Science in Business to Nicholas Russell Ciullo effective Spring 2018*.

Dr. Khansa indicated that the request was based on the recommendation of the faculty of the Department of Business Information Technology and supported by the Pamplin College of Business.

**The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.**

#### **Undergraduate Honor System Presentation**

Morgan Davenport, Royston Pillai, and Dr. James Orr conducted a presentation on the Undergraduate Honor System. Presentation topics included recent updates to the faculty-student led Undergraduate Honor System, honor code, training process, adjudication, data reports, administrative oversight, outreach, and resources. More information can be found at <https://honorsystem.vt.edu/> or by contacting the Office of Undergraduate Academic Integrity at [honorsys@vt.edu](mailto:honorsys@vt.edu).

#### **UC Resolution 2017-18A** *Resolution to Amend the University Council By-Laws as Recommended by the Governance Task Force*

D. Stauffer provided a brief update that at the last University Council meeting, amendments were made to the resolution, which addressed the comments of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:34 PM.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Megan Coulter, Office of the University Registrar*