

**University of Central Oklahoma**

**Core Curriculum Committee**

**October 22, 2020 - MINUTES**

**Present:** Manoshi Samaraweera, Rachelle Franz, Nora Gayzur, Tawni Holmes, Sam Ladwig, Adrienne Wright, Jennifer Foster, Stan Adamiak, Reid Weber, John Wood, Clark Ovrebo, Scott Williams, Gang Xu, Sarah Combs, Samantha Kramer, Jennifer Flygare, Heather Peck, Liliana Renteria Mendoza, Darla Fent Kelly, Shonna Covin, Ally Hardaway, Liz Lane Harvard, and Sunshine Cowan

**Absent:** Linh Pham, Leslie Similly, and Rosa Bird

- I. **Welcome** – Liz Lane Harvard welcomed everyone to the meeting and began at 3:30 pm.
- II. **Introductions and Roll Call** – Liz asked new committee members to introduce themselves verbally and returning members to place their information in the Chat box.
- III. **Website Location for UCC** – Liz provided an overview of the AACC webpage and the Core Curriculum Committee items that are available for reference.

**IV. Discussion of Proposal #124**

Liz reminded the committee that we are a recommending body only. She also noted that as a recommending body, we were never adding hours to the core, but only offering options within existing hours. She also noted that she spoke with Dean Sims and that Dean Sims shared that course fees would pay for the course and other expenses, with additional revenue shared with colleges.

Ongoing discussion noted the listening sessions that occurred in fall 1029 and spring 2019. A question was raised regarding whether or not this body would be reviewing individual proposals for specific courses taught in the Blueprint, or if the course would be reviewed every 5 years only. It was discussed that the Blueprint required structure and components within the course that departments would be required to uphold in their sections.

Questions were raised about the course offering (an 8-week course that is 3 hours and meeting twice each week) as well as if this would be an option for all faculty to teach.

It was asked where this originated from; HLC, the Gen Ed Action Team, and other efforts which included members (past and present) of UCC were mentioned. The piloted classes were discussed, and Success Central was discussed (with a note that it may not continue if this course was embedded in the

curriculum). Life Skills as a Core Area was discussed, including the impact to classes that are optional Life Skills classes.

There was discussion about the University College, data on the pilot (which is currently being collected – and will also need next semester in order to evaluate retention), and if faculty would be available to teach. Revenue sharing questions, if a 2-hour course would work, and looking at pilot syllabi were also questions that were raised.

It was suggested that Dean Sims be invited to give a presentation to the committee and the proposal be tabled until that time. Jennifer Foster made a motion, Sam Ladwig seconded it, and it passed.

**V. Spring 2021**

Liz announced that the committee would be assessing core courses in the College of Business and the College of Education & Professional Studies this coming spring.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 pm.