

University Curriculum Committee Report (10/20/2025)
Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, October 23, 2025

Summary:

This report is from the University Curriculum Committee for the Faculty Senate meeting on October 23, 2025, summarizing recent curriculum changes and approvals. It details deadlines for course and program submissions, lists updates such as new courses, course deletions, modifications to minors and majors, and changes to requirements across several colleges and departments. The report highlights significant restructuring in programs, including Psychological Science, as well as the introduction of new certificates and minors, and adjustments to elective and core course requirements for the upcoming academic year.

Old Business

- Approval of the minutes from the September 8, 2025, UCC meeting. Minutes approved
- **Curriculog Submission Deadline:**
 - Curriculog will be deactivated on December 1, 2025.
- **Transition Information:**
 - All course revisions and new program submissions must be completed by December 1, 2025
 - Institutional access to Curriculog will remain available until July 2026.
- **Submission Schedule:**
 - ***No proposals will be accepted after December 1, with the bulletin set to be published in March.***
 - Curricular submissions are expected to resume in April, with the possibility of being extended until June 1.
 - All proposals must receive approval at the UCC meeting on December 15, 2025.

Consent Agenda Items: All approved.

Course Number Updates

Implementation Spring 2026

- **MATH 4290** – Problems in Actuarial Science

Implementation Fall 2026

- **PSYC 2050** – Career Development in Psychological Science
- **PSYC 3000** – Research Methods

Course Credit Hour Update

Implementation Fall 2026

- **PSYC 3020** – Physiological Psychology

Course Title Update

Implementation Fall 2026

- **PSYC 4850** – Internship in Psychological Science

Course Description Updates

Implementation Spring 2026

- **CHEM 3440** – Inorganic Chemistry

Implementation Fall 2026

- **PSYC 4850** – Internship in Psychological Science

Course Deletions

Implementation Spring 2026

- **GEOG 450E** – Seminar Geographic Information Systems
- **HHP 2050** – Community and Environmental Health
- **HHP 3150** – Teaching Individual, Dual, and Team Sports
- **HHP 3410** – Health Disparities
- **HHP 4000** – Introduction to Gerontology
- **HHP 4020** – Introduction to Occupational Safety and Health
- **HHP 4030** – Lying, Dying, Grieving
- **MCOM 1001** – Marketing in the Digital Age
- **MCOM 1002** – Social Media for Business
- **MCOM 1003** – Fake News: The Media and Electronics
- **PSYC 2210** – Human Interaction
- **PSYC 3140** – Infant and Toddler Development
- **PSYC 3290** – Introduction to Psychological Measurement
- **PSYC 4000** – History and Systems of Psychology
- **PSYC 4060** – Group Dynamics
- **PSYC 4150** – Principles of Behavior Analysis
- **PSYC 4160** – Methods of Behavior Analysis

Implementation Fall 2026

- **COMM 3600** – Radio Theatre Workshop
- **HIST 4090** – The Renaissance
- **HIST 4091** – Reformation Europe
- **HIST 4790** – The Military Nontraditional Roles
- **HIST 4800** – Studies in Liberal Arts
- **HIST 4930** – Historiography

Cross-listing Implementation

Summer 2026

- **CULA 2390** – Culinary Capstone

Course Prerequisite/Corequisite Updates

Implementation Spring 2026

- **MATH 4290** – Problems in Actuarial Science
- **PSYC 4360** – Introduction to Psychopathology

Implementation Fall 2026

- **NSS 3000** – Comparative Security Issues
- **NSS 3200** – Critical Thinking Skills for Intelligence
- **NSS 3250** – The Intelligence Cycle
- **NSS 3610** – The State, Society, and the Modern Military
- **NSS 4200** – Structured Analytic Techniques
- **PSYC 2010** – Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
- **PSYC 3000** – Research Methods
- **PSYC 3020** – Physiological Psychology
- **PSYC 4850** – Internship in Psychological Science

Action Agenda Items: All approved.

College of Arts and Letters - Department of Communication

New Courses

Implementation Spring 2026

1. **COMM 3215** – Sports Multimedia Journalism
2. **COMM 4670** – Media Copyright and Fair Use

Implementation Fall 2026

3. COMM 2230 – Careers in Professional Communication

Program Modification

Implementation Fall 2026

4. Event Planning Minor

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Department of Health and Human Performance

Undergraduate Program Modifications

Implementation Fall 2026

1. Coaching Minor

- **Course Removals:**
 - HHP 3100 (Foundations of Kinesiology)
 - HHP 4240 (Introduction to Motor Learning)
- **Course Additions:**
 - HHP 3155 (Teaching Individual and Dual)
 - HHP 3165 (Teaching Team Sports)
- **Changes to Optional Electives:**
 - **Removed:**
 - HHP 3035 (Nutrition for Sport and Exercise)
 - LDSP 2100 (Foundations of Leadership Science)
 - PSYC 4060 (Group Dynamics)
 - SOC 3250 (Social Institutions)
 - SOC 3500 (Sport and Society)
 - **Added:**
 - HHP 2020 (Teaching K-12 Fitness Education)
 - HHP 2240 (Introduction to Physical Education)
 - HHP 2500 (Foundation of Recreation)
 - HHP 3030 (Nutrition Science and APP)
 - HHP 3060 (Team Building and Team Dynamics)

2. Physical Education Minor

- **Course Removals:**
 - HHP 2120 (Rhythmic Movement and Education Gymnastics)
 - HHP 4040 (Sport Psychology)
- **Course Additions:**
 - HHP 2020 (Teaching K-12 Fitness Education)
 - HHP 3210 (Methods and Materials in Phy Ed Elem. Students)
- **Changes to Electives:**

- **Removed:**
 - HHP 1250 (Wellness Concepts and Practice)
 - HHP 3190 (Movement Education for Elementary Children)
 - HHP 3300 (Anatomical Kinesiology)
- **Added:**
 - HHP 2120 (Rhythmic Movement and Education Gymnastics)
 - HHP 4040 (Sport Psychology)

Department of Leadership

Undergraduate New Course

Implementation Fall 2026

1. LDSP 1010 – Leadership Skill Development

- **Overview:** Introduces foundational leadership concepts.
- **Focus Areas:** Development of core leadership skills, including:
 - Communication
 - Interpersonal interaction
 - Group dynamics
 - Self-awareness and development
 - Problem-solving
- **Outcome:** Provides a practical framework for students to begin their journey as effective and ethical leaders through activities and self-reflection.

Undergraduate New Certificate

Implementation Fall 2026

2. Essential Skills for Career Readiness

- **Overview:** A 12-credit-hour interdisciplinary undergraduate certificate.
- **Purpose:** Designed to complement any major, equipping students with essential professional competencies, often referred to as "soft skills" or "durable skills."
- **Focus Areas:**
 - Communication with clarity
 - Effective leadership practices
 - Navigating group dynamics
 - Managing the digital information landscape
- **Outcome:** Prepares students for career success in today's evolving workforce.

Department of Psychological Science

Undergraduate Program Modification

Implementation Fall 2026

1. Psychological Science, BS

- **Curriculum Changes:**
 - **Structure:** The program will be divided into:
 - Required Core Courses: 17 credits
 - Required Foundation Courses: 12 credits
 - Topic Area Courses: 1 course required from each area (10 credits)
 - Social-Cultural Awareness Requirement: 3 credits
 - Program Electives: 6 credits
 - **Total Credit Hours:** 48 (up from 43 in the previous program).
- **New Requirements:**
 - **Mandatory Courses:**
 - PSYC 2050 (Career Development in Psychology)
 - PSYC 4900 (Capstone in Psychology)
 - Both courses were previously electives.
 - **Foundation Courses:**
 - PSYC 3020 (Physiological Psychology)
 - PSYC 4360 (Introduction to Psychopathology)
 - These courses will now be required, rather than optional.
- **Topic Area Requirement:**
 - Students must take one course from each of the three Topic Areas: Clinical/Counseling, Applied, and Experimental.
 - Previously, many of these courses counted as electives.
- **Elective Reduction:**
 - The number of program electives will be reduced from 12 to 6 credit hours to ensure that all students are adequately exposed to essential content.

College of Business

Department of Management and Marketing

Undergraduate Program Modification

Implementation Fall 2026

1. Management Information Systems Concentration in BBA Management

- **Update:**
 - Adding **MGT 3235** (The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Business) as a concentration elective option for the program.

College of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

Department of Chemistry

Undergraduate Program Modification

Implementation Fall 2026

1. **Biochemistry Concentration in BS Chemistry**

- **Update:** Adding a requirement for students to complete either:
 - **MATH 1530** (Elements of Statistics)
 - **MATH 1920** (Calculus II)

2. **Chemistry, BS**

- **Update:** Adding a requirement for students to complete either:
 - **MATH 1530** (Elements of Statistics)
 - **MATH 1920** (Calculus II)

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Undergraduate Program Modification

Implementation Fall 2026

3. **Mathematics Education Concentration in BS Mathematics**

- **Update:** Adding a Non-Licensure option for those not seeking to teach in K-12 public schools.
- **Requirements:** 30-31 hours of guided electives, with at least six upper-division credit hours, selected in consultation with a program advisor.

4. **Actuarial Science Concentration in BS Mathematics**

- **Updates:**
 - Reducing the number of required courses by removing:
 - STAT 4120 (Introduction to Regression Analysis)
 - STAT 4140 (Introduction to Time Series Analysis)
 - ECON 2100 (Principles of Macroeconomics)
 - ECON 2200 (Principles of Microeconomics)
 - FIN 3010 (Principles of Finance)
 - ACCT 2010 (Principles of Accounting I)
 - Adding **MATH 1200** (Introduction to Actuarial Science) to the requirements.
 - Increasing free electives from 10-11 credit hours to 27-28 credit hours.

5. **Mathematics Minor**

- **Update:** Adding **MATH 2345** (Mathematics Sophomore Seminar) as an optional elective requirement.