

To: Karen Gipson, ECS Chair
From: Robert Adams, UCC Chair
Subject: End of Year Report 2013/14
Date: April 18, 2014



During the 2013-14 academic year UCC fulfilled its regular responsibilities as outlined in the faculty handbook. As of April 16, 2014 UCC has reviewed...

Course changes	103
New certificates	9
Drop courses	24
Drop program	1
New courses	113
New emphases	2
New program proposals	5
Program changes	49
Total proposals	306 ¹

In additional, UCC responded to the charges from ECS/UAS.

[Charge 1] Please continue reviewing the university SWS requirement, specifically its role, purpose, effectiveness, and assessment oversight and consult with appropriate faculty governance committees such as the General Education Committee, Writing Skills committee and the Writing Department on findings.

The UCC chair met with SWS committee twice to discuss the current status of, and possible future directions for SWS. In February SWS sent a self-study to UCC. We accepted their self-study and anticipate working with SWS in the 14-15 academic year.

[Charge 2] Continue the process of defining a student credit hour.

UCC surveyed units asking how they assign time to credit hours. Based on this feedback, we drafted a definition for a credit hour and asked units for their feedback. We noted that several programs fall outside of the draft definition, and we are currently working to consider how to best handle any exceptions. UCC would like to thank Julie Guevarra for her valuable insight in this endeavor.

[Charge 3] Complete the implementation of new cognate policies.

UCC has notified those programs that are not in compliance with the new BS cognate policy and is working with them to identify appropriate changes that will bring their programs into compliance. We expect Program Change Requests from them sometime in the Fall.

[Charge 4] Review the existing model for curricular approval, and make recommendations for best practices.

UCC reviewed the forms and processes for curricular review, and gathered feedback from college curriculum committees, the General Education committee, libraries, Information Technology,

¹ UCC expects to review approximately 26 more proposals during finals week.

deans, and Graduate Council. Based on our own careful review and the information collected, UCC will start the process of streamlining the forms and curricular review process, starting in the summer 2014.

[Charge 5] Report on Internationalization Task Force recommendations for undergraduate courses.

The UCC chair met with members of the task force and provided initial input to their draft recommendations. UCC expects to make an official review of the task force's recommendation in the Fall.