**Council on Undergraduate Education 2018-2019**  March 1, 2019

**Talley Student Union 3210**

Call to Order: 1:30 PM

**Members Present:** Chair-Elect Kim Bush, Carrie Pickworth, Richard Podurgal, Alice Lee, Autumn Belk, Robert Beckstead, James Minogue, Hatice Ozturk, Katherine Annett-Hitchcock, Charan Saravanan, Tania Allen, William Kimler (proxy), Cynthia Levine (proxy)

**Members Absent**: Darby Orcutt, Chair Dan Monek, Past Chair Ghada Rabah, James Knowles, Min Liu, David Gilmartin, Tiffany Kershner,

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Li Marcus, Melissa Williford, Samantha Rich, Erin Dixon

**Guests**:

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

* *Remarks from Chair-elect Kim Bush* – Had the members and guest introduce themselves and welcomed the committee.
* *Presentation on GPS from Nikki Glenos*
* *Approval of the Minutes from February 15th 2019* *– Approved with one abstention*

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**NEW BUSINESS**

*GER>GEP Review*

* **ARE 201 Introduction to Agricultural & Resource Economics**: (SS) – *Approved with Friendly Suggestion*Discussion: Motion to approve by member Carrie Pickworth. 1. Under SS Obj. 1, the measure given is not complete. The sample question says: Determine whether each of the following topics... but then there is not a list of topics given. This needs to be supplied, in whole or in part. 2. Under SS Obj 3, the outcome says: Discuss how elasticity helps determine the effect... etc, but the verb "discuss" could be strengthened by merely reproducing the language of the outcome, which says "analyze and explain""
* **EC 202 Principles of Macroeconomics**: (SS) – *Approved*Discussion: Motion to approve by member Richard Podurgal.
* **FOR 220 Urban and Community Forestry**: (IP) - *Approved*Discussion: Motion to drop from IP category by Carrie Pickworth. Course is coming through as a drop action.
* **PY 201 General Physics I**: (NS) – *Tabled Unanimously*Discussion: Motion to table due to lack of information by Robert Beckstead.

*Courses Reviewing GEP Information*

* **USC 100 Transition into a Diverse Community**: (USD) – *Tabled Unanimously*Discussion: Motion to approve by member Autumn Belk. Members spoke positively about the alignment of objectives and measures. Member asked about the scholarly background provided to the students? How will they be provided a framework with which to analyze their identities and those of others? Tabled until more information regarding sources of information and topics covered is provided. Members also made the friendly suggestion to reconsider “transition” in the name as that can indicate a leaving behind of an old identity in the assumption of a new one which may work against the intent of the course.  
    
  *Courses New to GEP*
* **CSC 110 Computer Science Principles- The Beauty and Joy of Computing**: (IP) – *Approved with one Opposed*Discussion: Motion to approve by member Hatice Ozturk. Members asked how were students given perspective from the Design point of view? Instructors clarified that design has been an integral part of the creation of the course and that they are working with visual narrative colleagues in the course. Member suggested discussing with another member of the Design faculty as a way to ensure that the human-oriented nature of design is covered as well as the evaluation. Member also asked about what level of computing/programming is covered in this course. Instructors clarified that the level of coding has an easy threshold for students who are new and want to see code effects quickly, but that the coding also provides great flexibility in what it can do for the more advanced student.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM

*Respectfully submitted by Li Marcus*