

## **CSS Program Meeting Minutes**

October 15, 2021

2:30-4:00pm

Zoom meeting

**In attendance:** Menaka Abraham, Mohamed Ali, Eyhab Al-Masri, Paulo Barreto, Tom Capaul, Wei Cheng, Donald Chinn, Martine DeCock, Kivanc Dincer, Alan Fowler, Ingrid Horokova, Juhua Hu, Athirai Irissappane, Wes Lloyd, Chris Marriott, Anderson Nascimento (Chair), Raghavi Sakpal, David Schuessler, Ka Yee Yeung-Rhee

**Student representatives:** Dustin Ray, Hellen Parpinel Hobbs

**Sabbatical:** Josh Tenenberg, Chris Marriott

**Non-voting faculty & staff:** Raj Katti, Beth Jeffrey, Kira King, Victoria Olive, David Ross and Marife Tabao

### **Approval of the minutes from May 21, 2021**

Motioned: Tom Capaul

Seconded: Raghavi Sakpal

In favor: 11

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 3

### **Announcements**

- Welcome to our two new student representatives: Dustin Ray & Hellen Parpinel Hobbs.
- Ling-Hong Hung (Assistant Research Professor) and Tom Capaul are working together as part of the GC-SDE and are coordinating with one another course content. Ling-Hong teaches the capstone course (TCSS 506) and Tom teaches TCSS 502, 504 and 505.
- Congratulations to Wei Cheng! He was recently promoted to Associate Professor.
- Donald reminded the faculty about collecting student samples (good, average and poor) throughout the quarter for the upcoming ABET visit. If you have any questions reach out to him. We as a CSS body need to approve the new syllabi, so we can formally approve them all (hopefully) at our next CSS meeting.
- Anderson asked for one volunteer from CSS to join a reading group on the book “Black, Brown, and Bruised: How Racialized STEM Education Stifles Innovation”. This will be formally recognized as service to the CSS committee.
- Anderson announced that some of our ME colleagues in the Carlton, had to be relocated/and or share offices with another SET faculty as there was a gas leak.
- Raghavi reported that the equipment in SCI 106/CSS computing labs are having technical issues such as projectors & microphones not working. We need to look into it & address this issue soon.

### **Advisors update**

- Welcome to SET, Kira King! She is our newest undergrad academic advisor.

- Welcome to SET, Victoria Olive! She is our newest graduate advisor.
- David shared that registration for winter 2022 opens next month. If you have any registration requests, send them to the advisors: Beth, David & Kira.
- Beth serves in a small DEI task force, however there are no faculty representative(s) serving at the time. She will send an email regarding this & would like someone to take this on.

### **Graduate update**

- Mohamed reported that the committee's thinking about offering a combined BS/MS degree to give students an opportunity to complete both degrees in just a few years. Monika & Wei will be helping with this effort.
- The committee's putting together a PhD program policy/handbook then presenting it to the Faculty Council for approval.
- It is the beginning of the "shopping" season. Any faculty interested in working & advising graduate students for their thesis/research/capstones please contact Mohamed.

### **Faculty Council update**

- Donald reported that he was voted the first Vice Chair of FC. The following year the VC becomes Chair.
- Ka Yee talked about her role as Associate Dean for Research and Innovation. Her two goals are to (1) streamline post-award management and (2) organize a research open house and an industrial affiliate program.
- The DEI council adopted the informal name of JEDI (Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion) to structure their long-term support in SET. FC will work on JEDI issues.
- There's a campus wide writing committee. FC recommended Deveeshree Nayak for this committee.
- FC recommended to the Dean that Monika Sobolewska be the SET representative for the UWT Distinguished Teaching Award.
- FC recommended to the Dean that Mike McCourt be the SET representative for the UWT Distinguished Research Award.

### **BA Curriculum - Voting**

Raghavi reported that the BA committee had a listening session on Oct 6 and Oct 8, with minor changes to the proposal.

Vote to approve the changes as described in the proposal. Link to the Proposal:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OllwYZkvjBZvw\\_YNjOytpVunBQu8UqCexedVIYPss2w/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OllwYZkvjBZvw_YNjOytpVunBQu8UqCexedVIYPss2w/edit?usp=sharing)

Motioned: Raghavi Sakpal

Seconded: Tom Capaul

In favor: 17

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 2

### **TCSS 371 Prerequisite removal - Voting**

Menaka Abraham shared the reasons for the removal:

- 1) Not needed
- 2) Students are failing Discrete Math
- 3) It has become a barrier for students taking 372

Vote to remove 321 and added some content clarifications including modifying ABET outcomes.

Link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pZtr7cJDVGlxBQv51StevqzI8NAHoRN/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=110239774434297604757&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Motioned: Wes Lloyd

Seconded: Alan Fowler

In favor: 16

Opposed: 1

Abstained: 2

### **Cloud Computing TCSS 462 - Voting**

Link to a 4 min video presentation

<https://washington.zoom.us/rec/share/2WosB8Hy94YguEiIv6bVSwnTh9vUVpvl-DJR9qSgvT8b9RgJLdOLXwgImfOZslg.JWwMIntloqyfCi2G>

Course justification:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s6sJTWCsHsm6myzRITvV3tcYSrOm8vEc/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=114531303167893700884&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Course Syllabus: [Syllabus TCSS 462.docx](#)

Cloud Topics: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/14dL4v-R7dh06wh28p4HCWidItNR8AxBq/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=114531303167893700884&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Vote to approve the TCSS 462 Cloud Computing course

Motioned: Menaka Abraham

Seconded: Tom Capaul

In favor: 15

Opposed: 0

Abstained: 3