

**University of South Florida**  
**Undergraduate Council**  
**Minutes for November 28, 2011**

Present: Tom Pluckhahn, Ryan Toomey, Rick Austin, Jennifer Bosson, Hana Osman, Dell deChant, Brianne Stanback, Deidre Orriola, Kim McCormick

Absent: Chad Michaels, Denise Passmore

Guest/Ex Officio: Janet Moore (UGS), Cynthia Brown Hernandez (UGS), Michael Kanning (UGS), Kathy Cole (UGS), Peter Harries (GS), Elizabeth Bell, Jerry Collins, Catherine Batsche, Bea Smith, Holly Hills, Larry Thompson, Hao Zheng, Ken Christensen, Bill Hayden

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM.

1. The minutes of November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 were approved.
2. Announcements
  - a. Re-activation of Minor in Art (Studio Concentration) – This minor was reactivated to serve non-Arts majors who are

- v. MHS4XX9 – Recovery-oriented Mental Health Services – This course describes the principles and practices of services that promote recovery and rehabilitation for individuals with severe mental illnesses, with special focus on integration of mental health consumers into meaningful community roles. Course was **approved**.
- vi. WST4001 – Feminist Research Methods – The survey, design, and practice of qualitative and quantitative methods in feminist research. Restricted to majors; non-majors by permission of instructor. Course was **approved**.
- c. New Curriculum Proposals
  - i. B.S. in Behavioral Healthcare – This proposal for a new Bachelor of Science degree from the College of Behavioral and Community Sciences will address the urgent need for graduates trained in Mental Health and Substance abuse care. The program proposal requests no new resources, as it will draw upon existing faculty expertise and resources. The program will primarily prepare students for entry-level positions, but it is expected that many students will return for advanced degrees. This proposal was **approved**.
  - ii. BSAS Information Studies Concentration – This concentration within the BSAS program utilizes existing courses from the Information Studies program, and replaces the previous Information Technology concentration which has moved to USF Polytechnic. This proposal was **approved**.
  - iii. India Studies certificate – The certificate in India Studies is designed for majors in any field who wish to gain a broad knowledge of Indian culture and society. The proposal was **approved** with the understanding that the GEO Special Topics courses should be submitted for new course numbers.
- d. Existing Curriculum Changes
  - i. Changes to B.A/B.S./B.S.W. program requirements in BCS – Changes remove old degree

viii. Name change for English major track in Technical Communication and New Media (