



COLLEGE OF
INFORMATION
STUDIES

InfoSci Program Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 2, 2022
3:00-4:30 PM

In attendance (virtually): Scott Mobarry (SG student rep.), Fabian Faccio, Ron Padron, Tetyana Bezbabna, Galina Reitz, Vedat Diker, Pamela Duffy

In attendance - non-committee members: Thi Nguyen (grad student ambassador)

Absent/Excused: Ge Gao, Jessica Vitak, Kate Izsak, Animbom Tansinda (CP student rep.)

1. The Committee discussed converting 2 special topic courses into a permanent number:
 - The Committee voted on converting INST408B - Risk Management Leadership in the Information Age [[syllabus](#)] to **INST456**, and converting INST398B - Technology Socialpreneur [[syllabus](#)] to **INST463**.
 - The votes were as follows: 5 - yes; 0 - no; 4 - absent/excused
2. The Committee reflected on the 2021-2022 academic year:
 - There's an opportunity to further define the major and minor that are provided by the Shady Grove campus.
 - The program did a good job of proposing new courses.
 - Ideas:
 - Address the math requirement for InfoSci.
 - Explore the impact of adjusted math requirement for INST126 to accommodate InfoDesign.
 - Develop a GEM cognate area.
 - The internship course offered in the summer is really helpful for students.
3. The Committee discussed priorities, projects, ideas for 2022-2023 academic year:
 - It would be helpful to think about how to utilize the new labs and spaces as well as available gears and devices.
 - Expanding the AMPs program:
 - Some currently aren't aware of what it offers.
 - INST377 could be considered to be split into 2 separate courses to account for its complex technicality.
 - The program is also exploring ways to bring the College Park experience to Shady Grove.

- There are opportunities to further develop courses in the following areas: cloud security, voice technology, a potential I-series at Shady Grove, Python,... The program can also benefit from understanding the current trends in student enrollment.
- Student support, including from undergrads, would be helpful for the work being done at the Aging Lab.

4. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.