

Undergraduate Committee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, December 1, 2016  
1:30-3:00 PM, Hornbake 4113

In attendance: Vedat Diker, Bill Kules, Tim Summers, Jessica Vitak, Brandon Turp (student representative), Joanne Briscoe (ex-officio, voting), Adaire Parker (ex-officio, voting), Lindsay Sarin (non-member)

Absent/Excused: Brian Butler (ex-officio, non-voting)

- I. The committee decided to keep the same day and time for Spring 2017 UG Committee meetings: First Thursday of every month, from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM.
- II. The committee discussed the course proposal for INST \_\_\_ - Competitive Intelligence for Information Science. The committee felt that the proposal was not ready for a vote, and provided the following suggestions for improvement. VD will communicate these to KS, and bring a new version of the proposal to the committee in early Spring:
  - a. More coverage on CI tools and information analysis aspects should be added, with less focus on the management aspects.
  - b. There should be more emphasis on the tools and methods the InfoSci students will need in the first 3-5 years of their careers.
  - c. It would be better to pick three or four mainstream, non-proprietary frameworks, and introduce them in more depth.
  - d. The UGC felt that the course would be experienced better as a face-to-face offering, but realize that the delivery methods of the courses depend, among other things, on the course planning needs of the College and the availability of the instructors, and it is somewhat secondary to the fundamental design of the course.
- III. The committee discussed potential actionable projects for the spring semester, and identified the following as priorities:
  - a. Continued InfoSci curriculum development, with emphasis on remaining Core courses and Data Science specialization courses. The following courses are under development or need to be developed, and are expected to be brought to the UGC sometime in Spring 2017:
    - i. INST 447 - Data Sources and Manipulation - Vedat D.
    - ii. INST 414 - Advanced Data Science - Vanessa F.M.
    - iii. INST 490 - Capstone in Information Science - Vedat D.
    - iv. INST 1.. - Foundational Scholarship and Critical Inquiry in the Information Age - Courtney D.
    - v. INST ... - Competitive Intelligence for Information Science - Kanti S.
    - vi. INST ... - Technology, Information and Society - Jessica V.
    - vii. INST ... - Social Life and Culture of Hackers - Tim S.
  - b. Development of a process for program learning outcomes assessment. (Vedat and Lindsay will do some preliminary work and bring more information to the UGC.)
  - c. Development of a CyberSecurity specialization. (More information will be brought to UGC after college-level planning is done.)

IV. Next Steps

- a. UGC meetings for the Spring 2016 semester:
  - i. Thursday, February 2, 2017, 1:30-3:00 PM, Room 4113
  - ii. Thursday, March 2, 2017, 1:30-3:00 PM, Room 4113
  - iii. Thursday, April 6, 2017, 1:30-3:00 PM, Room 4113
  - iv. Thursday, May 4, 2017, 1:30-3:00 PM, Room 4113