

Minutes of the Undergraduate Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 29, 2015 (October meeting)
12:30-2:00 PM, Hornbake 2116

In attendance: Vedat Diker, Diane Travis, Jessica Vitak, Susan Winter, Joanne Briscoe (ex-officio, voting), Brian Butler (ex-officio, non-voting), Ann Weeks (ex-officio, non-voting), Tim Summers (non-member)

- The minutes of the September 2015 meeting were approved unanimously.
- Susan Winter gave an update on the program approval process and timeline. The program proposal was approved by the Board of Regents Education Policy and Student Life Committee on September 22nd. The proposal will go to consideration by the full Board of Regents on October 9th. The program will be considered for approval by MHEC sometime this Fall (2015) semester.
- The committee discussed and voted on the following course proposals and sample syllabi. The course proposals were approved with pending content and format changes. The changes will be incorporated by VD before the proposals go to PCC review. (Vote breakdowns are given next to each title below.):
 - User-Centered Design (core) [4 votes for, 1 abstention]
 - Database Design and Modeling (core) [5 votes for]
 - Dynamic Web Applications (Data Science specialization elective) [5 votes for]
- The committee will work on the following six ideas as the projects for the 2015-2016 academic year:
 - a. Development of the core curriculum for the program
 - b. Development of Data Science specialization curriculum
 - c. Development of undergraduate student services
 - d. Developing a marketing strategy in order to attract the very best students to the program
 - e. Development of a framework for engaging undergraduate students in iSchool research
 - f. Collaborating with the MIM committee on developing a MOOC that introduces fundamental IT concepts and skills.
- The meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.
- Remaining Undergraduate Committee meetings for the Fall 2015 semester:
 - i. Tuesday, November 3, 2015, at 1:15 PM in Hornbake 2116
 - ii. Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 1:15 PM in Hornbake 2116