

Minutes of the Undergraduate Committee Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2015
1:00-2:30 PM, Hornbake 2116

In attendance: Vedat Diker, Jessica Vitak, Susan Winter, Joanne Briscoe (ex-officio, voting), Ann Weeks (ex-officio, non-voting), Brian Butler (ex-officio, non-voting).

- VD presented the program plan in the new format and outlined the proposed changes to the model BSIS program plan.
- The UGC voted on the following changes and approved them (4 for, 0 against, 0 abstained):
 - Introduce a new Introduction to Information Science course that introduces the topics in the BSIS core more inclusively, striking a balance between the three main realms of interest (Information, People, and Technology). The proposed number for the new version of the course is INST 101, and it may have a different, catchier title.
 - Replace the current INST 301 with this new course (INST 101) on the Fall 2016 schedule.
 - Keep INST 301 as Information Science Foundations for Non-Majors
 - Substitute Technology and Society (as the second people course) in place of Professional Writing as a major core course; (that is, the 11th core course.)
- VD will take these changes to the iSchool PCC for approval, after which the university approval will be pursued.
- JB gave an update on the development of undergraduate student services.
- VD gave an update on the development and approval of undergraduate courses.
- The Committee identified the following dates and times for Spring 2016 meetings:
 - Tuesday, January 26th, 1:00-2:30 PM
 - Tuesday, February 23rd, 1:00-2:30 PM
 - Tuesday, March 29th, 1:00-2:30 PM
 - Tuesday, April 26th, 1:00-2:30 PM

The meetings will be held in Hornbake 2116.