University Senate Curricula and Courses Committee

October 8, 2026 – 2:00-3:30pm

I. Preliminaries

A. Welcome and Introductions

B. Minutes for April 21, 2026 were e-approved

C. We will convene in the electronic ether on October 8, 2026

D. Fall 2026 Meetings: Thursdays, 2:00pm-3:30pm
October 22, 2026
November 5, 2026
November 19, 2026
(*Thanksgiving Break*)
December 10, 2026

II. Chair Reports (D. Valente)

A. University Senate – Senate met, but there was nothing of curricular interest.

B. Senate Executive – There was nothing specific to this committee.

III. Member Reports

A. UICC (M. Hatfield) – Has not met.

B. Honors Board of Associate Directors (D. Mercier) – Has not met.

C. Scholastic Standards (S. Croucher) – S. Croucher expressed thanks to everyone who came to the NECHE meetings. The university is going in the right direction.

D. CCC+ (J. Kleinman) – CCC has met and reviewed courses. They will have some bylaw and guidelines for review that they're looking to get through for the February meeting.

*Please access all course proposals below via the CIM Admin page.

IV. Carry-over Common Curriculum Business

A. New Common Curriculum Courses

1. NAIS 3500 Research Methods in Native American and Indigenous Studies (New CA1, CA4, TOI2, TOI3)
Tabled pending the approval of NAIS 2000.

A. Revised Common Curriculum Courses

1. Motion to revise (S. Chamberland, P. Bedore) ILCS 2160 Culture of Fascist Italy (CA1, CA4INT, TOI2, TOI5, Revise level/number)
Current Catalog Copy
ILCS 1160. Culture of Fascist Italy (3 Credits)

The way Italian literary and cinematic culture justified, survived, and fought the terrors of the Fascist totalitarian regime. Taught in English. May not be used to meet the foreign language requirement. CA 1. CA 4-INT.
Topics of Inquiry: TOI2, TOI5
Content Areas: CA1, CA4INT

Revised Catalog Copy
ILCS 2160. Culture of Fascist Italy (3 Credits)
The way Italian literary and cinematic culture justified, survived, and fought the terrors of the Fascist totalitarian regime. Taught in English. May not be used to meet the foreign language requirement.
Topics of Inquiry: TOI2, TOI5
Content Areas: CA1, CA4INT

- One member expressed general concern that some majors are turning all of their courses into CC courses. There are accreditation issues with doing this.

Motion to revise ILCS 2160 was approved unanimously.

2. Motion to revise (D. Mercier, M. Hatfield) ILCS 2168 Italian Literature into Film (CA1, CA4INT, TOI1, TOI2, Revise level/number)
Current Catalog Copy
ILCS 1168. Italian Literature into Film (3 Credits)
Survey of literary genres adapted into film in an Italian context. Theories of adaptation. Strategies of cinematic adaptation taking into account the relationship between written and visual languages, and the ways foundational texts can speak to modern audiences or contemporary texts can be written cinematically. Culminates in the development of an original model for adaptation drawing upon student-lived experience. CA 1. CA 4-INT.
Topics of Inquiry: TOI1, TOI2
Content Areas: CA1, CA4INT

Revised Catalog Copy
ILCS 2168. Italian Literature into Film (3 Credits)
Survey of literary genres adapted into film in an Italian context. Theories of adaptation. Strategies of cinematic adaptation taking into account the relationship between written and visual languages, and the ways foundational texts can speak to modern audiences or contemporary texts can be written cinematically. Culminates in the development of an original model for adaptation drawing upon student-lived experience.
Topics of Inquiry: TOI1, TOI2
Content Areas: CA1, CA4INT

- No comments.

Motion to revise ILCS 2168 was approved unanimously.

3. Motion to revise (J. Kleinman, D. Mercier) LING 1020 Language and Power (CA2, CA4INT, TOI3, TOI5, Revise title, course description)
   Current Catalog Copy
   LING 1020. Language and Environment (3 Credits)
   Effects of geography, society, and politics on language use and variation (sociolinguistics). The geographical spread, growth and death of languages (language ecology).
   Topics of Inquiry: TOI3, TOI5
   Content Areas: CA2, CA4INT

   Revised Catalog Copy
   LING 1020. Language and Power (3 Credits)
   How language maintains and changes power relations in society. Interactions of geography, society, and politics with language use and variation (sociolinguistics). The geographical spread, growth and death of languages (language ecology).
   Topics of Inquiry: TOI3, TOI5
   Content Areas: CA2, CA4INT

   - There was discussion of whether the CLOs need to be in CIM. It is ideal that they are, but one member noted that C&C committees will not enforce this without communicated guidance. The Office of the Provost will send out notice that CLOs will not be published outside of CIM in order to alleviate anxiety.

Motion to revise LING 1020 was approved unanimously.

4. Motion to revise (M. Hatfield, S. Chamberland) POLS/WGSS 2027W Historical Women Political Thinkers (W, Revise course level/number)
   Current Catalog Copy
   POLS 3027W. Historical Women Political Thinkers (3 Credits)
   (Also offered as WGSS 3027W) Critical study of the writings of several historical women political thinkers.
   Competencies: W
   Course Requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011, open to juniors or higher.
   Recommended preparation: POLS 1002.

   WGSS 3027W. Historical Women Political Thinkers (3 Credits)
   (Also offered as POLS 3027W) Critical study of the writings of several historical women political thinkers.
   Competencies: W
   Course Requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011, open to juniors or higher.
   Recommended preparation: POLS 1002.

   Revised Catalog Copy
   POLS 2027W. Historical Women Political Thinkers (3 Credits)
   (Also offered as WGSS 2027W) Critical study of the writings of several historical women political thinkers.
   Competencies: W

Course Requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011. Recommended preparation: POLS 1002.

WGSS 2027W. Historical Women Political Thinkers (3 Credits)
(Also offered as POLS 2027W) Critical study of the writings of several historical women political thinkers.
Competencies: W
Course Requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011. Recommended preparation: POLS 1002.

- The syllabus doesn't have a grading scale or LOs.
- Are the LOs required by the bylaws? Not in so many words. The bylaws specify that instructors must include "what is being taught."
- In the chat: "When I chaired this committee, I proposed having a bulleted list with words like 'Student Learning Objectives.' That proposal did not pass out of committee!"
- In the chat: "What good timing, because we are working on the syllabus language in SSC right now for AI. Will flag this up and we should have some cross-committee discussion."

Motion to revise POLS/WGSS 2027W was approved with two abstentions.

V. New Business

A. New 1000- or 2000-level Courses

1. Motion to add (M. Hatfield, P. Bedore) ARAB 2160 Egyptian Arabic
   Proposed Catalog Copy
   ARAB 2160. Egyptian Arabic (3 Credits)
   Effective communication in Egyptian colloquial Arabic. Introduction to words, expressions and grammatical structures used frequently in everyday life. Taught in Arabic.
   Course requirements: ARAB 1002 or three years of high school Arabic or instructor consent.

   - The course uses a reserved number. The department needs to choose a new one.
   - Part of the syllabus is in Arabic. Do we require a translation in English? One member noted that this might be an accessibility issue.
   - In the chat: "As they need a level of Arabic for the course, I could see it being a good way to make sure students are ready by knowing if they can read it."
   - Are we applying this standard across the board? It was suggested we should call it more of a suggestion than a standard.

Motion to add ARAB 2180 was approved unanimously.

B. Revised 1000- or 2000-level Courses

1. Motion to revise (M. Hatfield, P. Bedore) ANSC 1111 Principles of Animals Nutrition and Feeding (Revise prereqs)
   Current Catalog Copy
   ANSC 1111. Principles of Animals Nutrition and Feeding (3 Credits)

Digestive anatomy of various species and the classes of nutrients including their digestion, metabolism and sources. Nutrient requirements and feeding standards for livestock, companion animals, exotics and aquatics for purposes of reproduction, lactation, growth, work and maintenance. Classes of feedstuffs, their characteristics, proper utilization, formulating rations and nutritional programs for animal enterprise. Taught with SAAS 113.
Course Requirements: May not be taken out of sequence after passing ANSC 4311.

Revised Catalog Copy
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Digestive anatomy of various species and the classes of nutrients including their digestion, metabolism and sources. Nutrient requirements and feeding standards for livestock, companion animals, exotics and aquatics for purposes of reproduction, lactation, growth, work and maintenance. Classes of feedstuffs, their characteristics, proper utilization, formulating rations and nutritional programs for animal enterprise. Taught with SAAS 113.
Course Requirements: May not be taken out of sequence after passing ANSC 4311. Open only to CAHNR majors and minors, others by consent of instructor.

- There was a minor suggested edit to the enrollment restriction language: "Open only to CAHNR majors and minors, others by consent of instructor."

Motion to revise ANSC 1111 was approved unanimously.

2. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2241 Essentials of Organic Chemistry (Revise course title, description)
   Current Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2241. Organic Chemistry (3 Credits)
   An abridged course in organic chemistry designed to provide a background for related fields in which a general rather than a detailed knowledge of the compounds of carbon is required.
   Course requirements: CHEM 1122 or 1124Q or 1127Q or 1137Q or 1147Q. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 2443.

   Revised Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2241. Essentials of Organic Chemistry (3 Credits*)*
   A one-semester lecture course in organic chemistry designed to provide a background for fields in which a general, rather than detailed, knowledge of the chemistry of carbon compounds is required. Structure, reactivity, and applications of the major classes of organic compounds. Fundamental problem-solving in organic chemistry.
   Course requirements: CHEM 1122 or 1124Q or 1127Q or 1137Q or 1147Q. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 2443.

   - There was a question about whether we need a more recent syllabus, as the one attached is old and does not include the requested changes. The general feeling was that proposers should be submitting recent syllabi. We will send a note to proposer that the syllabus submitted should reflect the changes being made.

Motion to revise CHEM 2241 was approved unanimously.

3. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2242. Essentials of Organic Chemistry Laboratory (Revise course title, description)
   Current Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2242. Organic Chemistry Laboratory (1 Credit)
   Course requirements: CHEM 2241, which may be taken concurrently. Not open for credit to students who have passed CHEM 2443.

   Revised Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2242. Essentials of Organic Chemistry Laboratory (1 Credit)
   Introduction to organic chemistry laboratory techniques, including the safe setup and performance of chemical reactions, extractions, and purification. Spectroscopic characterization and determination of chemical yields of simple organic compounds.
   Course requirements: CHEM 2241, which may be taken concurrently. Not open for credit to students who have passed CHEM 2443.

   - See note for CHEM 2241.

Motion to revise CHEM 2242 was approved unanimously.

4. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2443 Organic Chemistry I (Revise course title, description)
   Current Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2443. Organic Chemistry (3 Credits)
   Structure and reactions of the simpler classes of the compounds of carbon.
   Course Requirements: CHEM 1128Q, 1138Q, 1148Q, or 1126Q (1126Q may be taken concurrently). Only two credits after passing CHEM 2241. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 2444, 2446, or 4370. Repeat restrictions apply; see advising.uconn.edu/repeat-policy for more information.

   Revised Catalog Copy
   CHEM 2443. Organic Chemistry I (3 Credits)
   First course in a two-semester sequence in organic chemistry. Structure, bonding, nomenclature, properties, and reactions of organic compounds. Emphasis is on the relationship between molecular structure and physical properties and chemical reactivity. Discussion of the fundamental principles governing reactions of the major classes of organic compounds.
   Course Requirements: CHEM 1128Q, 1138Q, 1148Q, or 1126Q (1126Q may be taken concurrently). Only two credits after passing CHEM 2241. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 2444, 2446, or 4370. Repeat restrictions apply; see advising.uconn.edu/repeat-policy for more information.

   - See note for CHEM 2241.

Motion to revise CHEM 2443 was approved unanimously.

5. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2444 Organic Chemistry II (Revise course title, description)
   Current Catalog Copy

CHEM 2444. Organic Chemistry (3 Credits)
A continuation of CHEM 2443.
Course Requirements: CHEM 2443. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 4370. Repeat restrictions apply; see advising.uconn.edu/repeat-policy for information.

Revised Catalog Copy
CHEM 2444. Organic Chemistry II (3 Credits)
Second course in a two-semester sequence in organic chemistry. Emphasis is on the reactivity and mechanisms of organic reactions, including those of carbonyl and aromatic compounds. Molecular structure and spectroscopic properties (including NMR, UV, and IR spectroscopy), organic synthesis, and applications to biochemical molecules, including nucleic acids, proteins, and carbohydrates.
Course Requirements: CHEM 2443. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 4370. Repeat restrictions apply; see advising.uconn.edu/repeat-policy for information.

- See note for CHEM 2241.

Motion to revise CHEM 2444 was approved unanimously.

6. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2445 Organic Chemistry Laboratory (Revise course description)
Current Catalog Copy
CHEM 2445. Organic Chemistry Laboratory (3 Credits)
Course requirements: CHEM 2444, which may be taken concurrently. Students who have passed CHEM 2242 or 2446 will receive only 2 credits. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 3442 or 4370.

Revised Catalog Copy
CHEM 2445. Organic Chemistry Laboratory (3 Credits)
Laboratory course accompanying the introductory organic chemistry lecture sequence. Purification, isolation, synthesis, and identification of organic compounds using contemporary laboratory, spectroscopic, and analytical techniques, including IR and NMR spectroscopy and mass spectrometry. Organic synthesis, laboratory safety, experimental methodology, laboratory notebook keeping, and scientific reporting.
Course requirements: CHEM 2444, which may be taken concurrently. Students who have passed CHEM 2242 or 2446 will receive only 2 credits. May not be taken out of sequence after passing CHEM 3442 or 4370.

- See note for CHEM 2241.

Motion to revise CHEM 2445 was approved unanimously.

7. Motion to revise (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield - Bundled) CHEM 2446 Abridged Organic Chemistry Laboratory for Engineers (Revise course title, description)
Current Catalog Copy
CHEM 2446. Organic Chemistry Laboratory (1 Credit)
Introduction to techniques, manipulations, calculations and spectroscopy.

Course requirements: CHEM 2443; open only to Chemical Engineering or Biomedical Engineering majors or by consent of instructor. Not open to students who have passed CHEM 2445.

Revised Catalog Copy
CHEM 2446. Abridged Organic Chemistry Laboratory for Engineers (1 Credit)
Abridged organic chemistry laboratory course primarily for students in the School of Engineering. Extraction, distillation, chromatography, and multi-step synthesis. Purity determination and structural characterization using melting point analysis, TLC, and IR and NMR spectroscopy. Experimental methodology, computational chemistry, laboratory safety, and proper laboratory practices.
Course requirements: CHEM 2443; open only to Chemical Engineering or Biomedical Engineering majors or by consent of instructor. Not open to students who have passed CHEM 2445.

- See note for CHEM 2241.

Motion to revise CHEM 2446 was approved unanimously.

8. Motion to revise (J. Kleinman, J. Ochs) ENGL 2600 Introduction to Literary Studies (Revise course description)
Current Catalog Copy
ENGL 2600. Introduction to Literary Studies (3 Credits)
Skills essential for the successful pursuit of a degree in English: textual analysis (close reading of poetry and prose), literary criticism and theory, research and citation methods, and critical writing about literature.
Course requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

Revised Catalog Copy
ENGL 2600. Introduction to Literary Studies (3 Credits)
Skills essential for the successful pursuit of a degree in English: textual analysis (close reading of poetry and prose), literary criticism and theory, research and citation methods, evaluation of sources for rhetorical purpose and reliability, and critical writing about literature.
Course requirements: ENGL 1007 or 1010 or 1011.

- No comments.

Motion to revise ENGL 2600 was approved with one abstention.

9. Motion to revise (J. Kleinman, M. Hatfield) HDFS 2300 Family Interaction Processes (Revise prereqs)
Current Catalog Copy
HDFS 2300. Family Interaction Processes (3 Credits)
Family interaction: communication processes, bonding behaviors, management of conflict and aggression, negotiation of family crisis.
Course Requirements: Open to sophomores or higher. May not be taken out of sequence after passing HDFS 3319 or 3420.

Revised Catalog Copy
HDFS 2300. Family Interaction Processes (3 Credits)
Family interaction: communication processes, bonding behaviors, management of conflict and aggression, negotiation of family crisis.
Course Requirements: Recommended course preparation: HDFS 1060 or HDFS 1070

- The CIM is missing a syllabus. P. Bedore will follow up.

J. Kleinman motioned to table HDFS 2300 pending receipt of a syllabus. M. Hatfield seconded. The motion to table was approved unanimously.

10. Motion to revise (J. Kleinman, M. Hatfield) NRE 2416 Trees and Forests Lab: Dendrology (Revise prereqs)
Current Catalog Copy
NRE 2416. Trees and Forests Lab: Dendrology (1 Credit)
Field-based introduction to taxonomy, silvics, and distribution of trees and shrubs of the United States with emphasis upon Northeastern species. Field trips will be required. Taught concurrently with SANR 216.
Course Requirements: Instructor consent.

Revised Catalog Copy
NRE 2416. Trees and Forests Lab: Dendrology (1 Credit)
Field-based introduction to taxonomy, silvics, and distribution of trees and shrubs of the United States with emphasis upon Northeastern species. Field trips will be required. Taught concurrently with SANR 216.
Course Requirements: NRE 2415, which may be taken concurrently.

- A minor edit to the wording was recommended: "NRE 2415, which may be taken concurrently."

Motion to revise NRE 2416 was approved unanimously.

11. Motion to revise (M. Hatfield, D. Mercier) NRE 2550 Outdoor Recreation (Revise course title)
Current Catalog Copy
NRE 2550. Nature-Based Outdoor Recreation Recourse Management (3 Credit)
Overview of major issues, concepts, theories, and management approaches related to nature based outdoor recreation and its management. Introduces a historical overview, the role of various agencies and interest groups, current stakeholder issues, impacts of recreation, and contemporary management approaches for addressing topics such as satisfaction, crowding, and conflict.
Course requirements: Recommended preparation: Prior coursework in environmental science, environmental studies, natural resources, or a related field.

Revised Catalog Copy
NRE 2550. Outdoor Recreation (3 Credit)

Overview of major issues, concepts, theories, and management approaches related to nature based outdoor recreation and its management. Introduces a historical overview, the role of various agencies and interest groups, current stakeholder issues, impacts of recreation, and contemporary management approaches for addressing topics such as satisfaction, crowding, and conflict.
Course requirements: Recommended preparation: Prior coursework in environmental science, environmental studies, natural resources, or a related field.

- No comments.

Motion to revise NRE 2550 was approved unanimously.

C. S/U Graded Courses
1. Motion to add (M. Hatfield, D. Mercier) PSYC 3882 Internal Experiential Learning
Proposed Catalog Copy
PSYC 3882. Internal Experiential Learning (1-6 Credits)
Supervised internal experiential work within the University of Connecticut Department of Psychological Sciences and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students taking this course will be assigned a final grade of S (satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory). Repeatable for credit to a total of 6 credits.
Course requirements: PSYC 1100; PSYC 1101 or 1103.

- It is not necessary to note the credit restriction.
- There was discussion of the CLOs.

Motion to revise PSYC 3882 was approved with one abstention.

D. Common Curriculum Courses Offered in Intensive Session
1. Motion to offer (P. Bedore, M. Hatfield) AFRA/SOCI 2461 Race, Gender, and U.S. Health Care (CA2, CA4, TOI3, TOI5)
    - No comments.

Motion to offer AFRA/SOCI 2461 in intensive session was approved unanimously.

Attendance: **Diego Valente**, **Pamela Bedore**, **Kristin Bott**, **Sally Chamberland**, **Sarah Croucher**, **Grace DiTunno**, David Embrick, **Quinn Geier**, **Marc Hatfield**, **Jamie Kleinman, Alvaro Lozano-Robledo**, **Dan Mercier**, Natalie Munro, **Jordan Ochs**, **John Rendeiro**, Ranjan Srivastava, Abhinav Upadhyay, Terra Zuidema