University of North Texas at Dallas
Academic Council Minutes DRAFT
May 23, 2023, 3:00pm
Electronic Vote

Voting Members
Dr. Bill Ingram, Assistant Dean, School of Business
Dr. Orlando Perez, Dean, School of Liberal Arts & Sciences
Dr. Ali Shaqlaih, Dean, Graduate School and Interim Dean, School of Business
Dr. Christine Remley, Dean, School of Education
Felecia Epps, J.D., Dean, College of Law
Dr. Richard Chandler, Faculty Senate Vice President
Brenda Robertson, University Librarian
Cristian Medina, SGA President

Absent:
Rian Wilhite, Director, Academic Advising
Dr. Constance Lacy, Dean, School of Human Services

Non-Voting Members
Dr. Betty H. Stewart, Provost and EVP for Academic Affairs
Luis Franco, University Director of Undergraduate Admissions
Dr. Dawn Remmers, Assistant Provost
Dr. Kimberly Chandler, Director of University Accreditation & Policy
Allison Scott, Staff Council Representative
Garrick Hildebrand, Director of Financial Aid
Dr. Sara Baber, Director of Distance Learning
Jamie Lee, University Registrar

Other Invitees
Ms. Katrina Cornish, Academic Scheduling Coordinator
Dr. Janiece Upshaw, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts and Sciences
I. New Business

A. Approval of minutes – April 25, 2023

*Seven (7) in favor and one (1) abstention. Motion passed with eight of ten voting. (closed)*

B. Course Change Request *(School of Liberal Arts and Sciences)*

PLDR 5390 (Professional Practice for Public Managers)
Change effective: AY 2023-24
Change: Long Title, Short Title and Prerequisites

*Additional information: PLDR 5300 was inadvertently left from current prerequisite. Students will be allowed to take a total of 9 hours during their last semester in order to allow students in the MAPs program to complete their BA/MSPL within 5 years. Students in the regular graduate program will be better able to complete their degree within 4 semesters by attending 9 hours per semester.*

New Long Title: Capstone – Professional Practice
New Short Title: Capstone – MSPL
Proposed Prerequisite(s): PLDR 5320, PLDR 5030, PLDR 5400, PLDR 5330, PLDR 5370, PLDR 5353, PLDR 5300; and additional 6 hours of 5000 level courses in EMSA or PLDR; and consent of the MSPL program coordinator.

*All in favor and none opposed. Motion passed with eight of ten voting. (closed)*

C. Program Change Requests *(School of Liberal Arts & Sciences)*

Public Leadership
Change effective: AY 2023-2024
Change: Concentration Course(s) or elective(s)

*Additional information: Electives have been added to expand students’ offerings in each concentration.*

*Added Courses:*
Administrative Leadership Concentration
Added: PLDR 5380 Economics of Disasters & Hazards (new course approved)
PLDR 5335 Leadership in the Administrative State (Former course, resurrected)

Nonprofit and Communication Leadership Concentration
Added: PLDR 5380 Economics of Disasters & Hazards (new course approved)
PLDR 5354 Public Private Partnerships (Current course)

Public Health Leadership Concentration
Added: PLDR 5380 Economics of Disasters & Hazards (new course approved)

Emergency Services Administration Leadership Concentration
Added: PLDR 5380 Economics of Disasters & Hazards (new course approved)

*Seven (7) in favor and one (1) abstention. Motion passed with eight of ten voting. (closed)*

All proposed changes are marked as such:
New items are emboldened and underlined
Deleted items are marked with a strikethrough line
Justifications or clarifications are italicized.
II. Electronic Vote closed May 24, 2023, at 8:50am.

Respectfully submitted September 12, 2023
Laila Mertz
Executive Assistant to Provost and EVP of Academic Affairs
5.23.23 Voting Members Only

1. Section A - Approval of the April 2023 minutes

- Approve: 7
- Do not approve: 0
- Abstain: 1

2. Section B - Course Change Request: PLDR (School of Liberal Arts & Sciences)

- Approve: 8
- Do not approve: 0
- Abstain: 0

3. Section C - Program Change Request: Public Leadership (School of Liberal Arts & Sciences)

- Approve: 7
- Do not approve: 0
- Abstain: 1

Responses: 8
Average time to complete: 00:39
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