

University Honors Committee Minutes

October 26, 2018

3:30 – 5:00 pm

Location: Burnett Honors College room 130

Attendees: Steven Berman, Robert Borgon, Victoria Loerzel, Kyle Renshaw, Chrysalis Wright (by comments), Widaad Zaman, John Bal, Nikki Anna Ballelos, Olivia Sunna, Sheila Piñeres (non voting)

Absent: Carole Creque, Dustin Edwards, Ali Gordon, Sherron Roberts, Denver Severt, Matt Stock, Barbara Tierney, Nora Underwood

Guests: Charles Reilly, Christopher Washburn, Martin Dupuis, Padmini Coopamah Waldron

Meeting called to order at 3:35 by chair and Burnett Honors College Dean Sheila Gutierrez de Piñeres. A quorum of the committee was confirmed.

Burnett Honors College Update Class of 2022 Update:

Dean Piñeres updated the committee on the statistics of the 2022 University Honors students admitted to the Burnett Honors College this fall. Additional information was shared on the status of the Honors in the Major program participants and Office of Prestigious Award Awardees.

New Initiatives:

Dean Piñeres updated the committee on the progress of new programs and initiatives being worked on for student success.

Honors in the Major:

Director of Honors Research Padmini Coopamah Waldron and Associate Dean of the College of Engineering and Computer Science Charles Reilly presented the proposal for CECS HIM. After robust conversation the committee expressed support for the proposal.

Dr. Padmini Coopamah Waldron presented the Honors in Research and Honors in Creative Inquiry proposal. After robust conversation the committee expressed support for the proposal.

Honors Interdisciplinary Seminars Proposals:

Associate Dean Dupuis presented Dr. Ilenia Colon and Dr. Martha Garcia's Spanish Golden Age Art and Literature course which after discussion the recommendation was to ask the faculty to make revisions before resubmission.

Associate Dean Dupuis presented Dr. Ann Gleig's Sex and the Sacred: Religion, Gender & Sexuality which after discussion the recommendation was to ask the faculty to make revisions before resubmission.

Associate Dean Dupuis presented Dr. Tison Pugh's Literary Gaming course which after discussion the recommendation was to ask the faculty to make revisions before resubmission.

Closing Remarks

Dean Piñeres thanked all in attendance for their contributions. The meeting was called to a close at 5:00 pm by chair Piñeres.