1-27-2025 & 2-10-2025 UCC MEETING REPORTS FOR 2-27-2025 FACULTY SENATE MEETING



UCC MEETING SUMMARIES

OLD BUSINESS

- Concentration Change

 PreK3/Sped changed to
 Integrated Early Childhood
 Education (PreK-3)
- Concentration Approval for AAS in Professional Services
 - First Responder

<u>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (139 TOTAL)</u>

- Course Number Updates: Fall 2025 (30)
- Course Rubric Updates: Fall 2025 (3)
- Course Title Updates: Fall 2025 (21)
- Course Credit Hour Updates: Fall 2025 (2)
- Course Prerequisite Updates: Fall 2025 (50)
- Course Description Update: Fall 2025 (21)
- Course Deletions: Fall 2025 (12)

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS (FALL 2025 IMPLEMENTATION)

<u>COAL</u>

- Dept. of Hist. & Philosophy:
 - Undergraduate Program Modification: History, BA
 - Graduate Program Modification: World History Concentration, History MA
- Dept. of Lang. & Lit.:
 - Undergraduate Program Modifications
 - Concentrations: English; Literature; Professional, Technical, and Creative Writing
 - Minors: English; Greek; Linguistics; Women's and Gender Studies
 - Literature Concentration
 - Graduate Program Modification
 - Creative Writing Concentration, English MA
 - English Studies Concentration, English MA
 - Graduate New Course
 - ENGL 6001
 - Graduate New Certificate
 - Creative Writing
 - Linguistics
 - Literature and Literary Criticism
 - Technical and Professional Writing
- Dept. of Music: Undergraduate New Course: MUS 3290-Music Therapy Clinical Placement
- Dept. of Comm.: Graduate Program Modification: Communication Arts, MA



<u>ACTION AGENDA ITEMS (CONTINUED)</u>

<u>CoSTEM</u>

- Dept. Computer Science & Information Technology: Undergraduate Program Modification
 - Software Engineering Concentration
 - General Computer Science Concentration
- Dept. Engineering Tech.: Undergraduate Program Modification
 - Electrical Engineering Technology Concentration
 - Manufacturing Engineering Technology Concentration
 - Robinson Flight Instructor Certificate
- Dept. Physics, Engineering & Astronomy: Undergraduate Program Modification
 - Engineering Physics, BSE
 - Physics, BS
 - Astrophysics Concentration, Physics BS
- Dept. Math & Statistics
 - Graduate New Certificate
 - Actuarial Science Certificate
 - Graduate Program Modification
 - Mathematical Finance Concentration, Computer Science and Quantitative Methods MS and PSM
 - Cybersecurity Concentration, Computer Science and Quantitative Methods MS and PSM

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- Dept. of Teaching & Learning:
 - Undergraduate New Course
 - EDUC 3200-Integrated Instruction
 - Undergraduate Program Modification
 - BS Education
 - 6-8 Middle Grade Science Concentration
 - K-5 Licensure Program Concentration
 - Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Minor & Certificate
 - Graduate Program Modification
 - Integrated Early Childhood Education (PreK-3), Teaching MAT
- Dept. of Educational Specialties
 - Graduate New Course
 - EDUC 6660-Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language
 - Graduate New Certificate
 - English Language Learners Certificate
 - Graduate Program Modification
 - TESOL, Certificate
 - Graduate Concentration Elevation
 - TESOL, MAED

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS (CONTINUED)

<u>CoBHS</u>

- Dept. Psyc. Sci. & Counseling: Undergraduate New Course
 PSYC 4900-Capstone Experience
- Dept. Leadership: Graduate Program Modification
 - Strategic Leadership Concentration

University College

- Dept. of University Studies: Undergraduate Program Modification
 - University Wide Degree Requirements
 - Adding option for students to complete UNIV 1010 (University Success and Foundations of Learning) or UNIV 1200 (University Success for Transfer Students) to the UNIV 1000, HON 1000, or PELP 1000
 - Adding Academic Proficiency Policy for students
 - Must demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, and mathematics, either prior to enrollment or during their initial term of enrollment.

College of Business

- Dept. of Management & Marketing: Graduate New Course
 - BUS 5430-Business Creativity and Problem Solving with AI
 - BUS 5440-Ethics and Governance in AI

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University Curriculum Committee Meeting Summary

January 27 and February 10, 2025 Meetings

Major Program Changes

Program	College	Type of Change	Detailed Changes	
Integrated Early Childhood Education (PreK-3), BS Education	Education	Name/Program Update	Changed from PreK3/Sped to align with TN Department of Education licensure language	
History, BA	Arts & Letters	Program Modification	1. Removed minor requirement (except for History Education concentration which still requires Professional Education Secondary minor) 2. Added three upper-level credits to major requirements	
English BA - Literature Concentration	Arts & Letters	Program Restructuring	 Updated course numbering system Added new Professional/Technical Writing elective options 3. Restructured major core requirements 	
English BA - Education Concentration	Arts & Letters	Program Restructuring	1. Updated course numbering 2. Added Professional/Technical Writing courses 3. Restructured core requirements 4. Corrected RDG 4040 credit hour calculation	
English BA - Professional/Technical Writing Concentration	Arts & Letters	Program Restructuring	1. Updated course numbering 2. Added new writing courses to curriculum schema	
Engineering Physics, BSE	Science & Technology	Program Modification	Removed ENGR 3005, changed to two-cours sequence (ENGR 3003, 3004)	
Physics, BS (including Astrophysics Concentration)	Science & Technology	Program Modification	Removed ENGR 3005, changed to two-course sequence (ENGR 3003, 3004)	
Software Engineering/General CS Concentrations, BS	Science & Technology	Program Modification	Changed MATH requirements to meet ABET standards: Now requires STAT 3250 instead of choice between multiple courses	
K-5 Licensure Program Concentration, BS Education	Education	Program Restructuring	Eliminated Professional Education Minor requirement, integrated courses into concentration requirements	
First Responder Concentration, AAS Professional Services	Applied Sciences	New Program	Designed for EMTs and emergency personnel seeking academic advancement	
Communication Arts, MA	Arts & Letters	Program Modification	Added COMM 5001 (Pro-Seminar in Communication) to major core	

Program	College	Type of Change	Detailed Changes	
World History Concentration, MA History	Arts & Letters	New	Added to formalize guided field electives, following Military and U.S. History concentration model	
Creative Writing Concentration, MA English		•	Consolidated into new English Studies Concentration	
English Studies Concentration, MA English		Program Modification	1. Consolidated multiple concentrations into one 2. Revised core for flexibility 3. Embedded comprehensive exam into required course	
Strategic Leadership Concentration, MSL		0	1. Removed LDSP 5105 and 5420 from electives 2. Added LDSP 5999	
AI in Business Concentration, MBA	Rusiness		Focus on practical AI applications, strategic insights, and ethical considerations	
TESOL, MAEd		U U	Elevated to standalone degree for enhanced recognition and career prospects	

New Certificate Programs

Certificate Name	College	Credit Hours	Purpose/Details	
Creative Writing (Graduate)	Arts & Letters	IN Credite	Replaces former concentration, focuses on writing seminars, internships, journal editing	
Linguistics (Graduate)	Arts & Letters	9 credits	Stackable with MA in English Studies	
Literature and Literary Criticism (Graduate)	Arts & Letters	9 credits	Provides flexibility for interdisciplinary study	
Technical and Professional Writing (Graduate)	Arts & Letters	9 credits	Focus on professional writing seminars and internships	
Actuarial Science (Graduate)			Covers probability, statistics, financial mathematics; available online and on-campus	
English Language Learners (Graduate)	Education	Not specified	For adding ELL endorsement to existing licensur	

New Courses Added

Course Code	Title	Department	Purpose/Content
MUS 3290	Music Therapy Clinical Placement	Music	Field experience synthesizing classroom learning
PSYC 4900	Capstone Experience	PSVChology	Contemporary topics in psychological science
EDUC 3200	Integrated Instruction	Education	Integration of science/social studies with literacy
BUS 5430	Business Creativity and Problem Solving with AI	Business	AI applications for business challenges
BUS 5440	Ethics and Governance in AI	Business	Ethical considerations in business AI deployment
EDUC 6660	Teaching English as Second/Foreign Language	Education Theory and practice of ESL/EFL tea	
ENGL 6001	Directed Portfolio and Professionalization	English	Portfolio development and career preparation

Course Modifications (Selected Significant Changes)

Department	Courses Affected	Nature of Changes	
English	30+ literature courses	Systematic renumbering (3000-4000 level) for consistency	
Engineering	ENGR 3003, 3004	Restructured from three to two-course sequence, updated content	
Computer Science	Multiple 5000-level courses	Prerequisite updates for graduate cybersecurity courses	
Art	ART 3430, 3530	Updated titles, prerequisites, descriptions for studio courses	
Music	Multiple therapy courses	Updated descriptions for clinical focus	
Physics	Multiple courses	Added mathematics prerequisites, updated descriptions	

Course Deletions

Course Code	Title	Reason for Deletion
ENGL 2070	Intro to History and Theory of Film	Film Studies minor discontinued
ENGL 340A	Arthurian Romance	No plans to continue teaching
ENGL 340F	Women Writers	Content overlap with other courses
ENGL 340J	Shakespeare on Film and Stage	No plans to continue teaching
LING 4030	Intro to Historical Linguistics	No plans to continue teaching

Course Code	Title	Reason for Deletion
WGS 3080	Women's and Gender Studies Practicum	Rarely taught
WGS 4030	Independent Study	Replaced by DIVR 4020

University-Wide Changes

Category	Change	Implementation
University Success Requirements	Added UNIV 1010/1200 as alternatives to UNIV 1000	Fall 2025
Academic Proficiency Policy New requirements for reading, writing, mat		Fall 2025
Proficiency Requirements Multiple pathways: Pre-enrollment (test scores, prior credit) or Post-enrollment (specific courses)		Fall 2025

Implementation Timeline

Most changes are scheduled for Fall 2025 implementation, with various approval requirements:

- Some items require University President approval
- Others require Provost/SVP Academic Affairs approval
- Select items require SACSCOC approval